

The Bethel Citizen

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Phil Tarr's contract appears in jeopardy

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Bethel Town Manager Phil Tarr will apparently not continue in that position when his two-year contract expires in May.

Town selectmen and Tarr have declined to comment on the matter until after an executive session scheduled for Wednesday evening (after The Citizen's press-time), but the newspaper has learned that Tarr told the Town Office staff last week he did not expect the contract to be renewed.

Tarr was hired in May 1997 to re-



PHIL TARR

(File photo)

place former Town Manager Madeleine Henley, who had resigned.

His previous municipal experience included serving as the town manager of Bridgton and Harrison. From 1990 to 1995 he served as executive director of the Maine Harness Racing Association. He lives in Bridgton.

Tarr's initial contract with the town of Bethel included a requirement that he move here within six months, but that requirement was waived last year by the Board of Selectmen.

Timeshare owners, companies balking at tax assessments

One condo taxed at \$942 became a timeshare taxed at \$4,160

By ALISON ALOISIO

A timeshare unit at the River View Resort in Bethel is assessed at \$287,000.

In the same building, an almost-identical condominium unit -- distinguished only by slightly better furnishings -- is valued at \$65,000.

Is this fair? No, says Chad McGrew, manager of the River View. Yes, says Wade Rainey, an assessing agent for the town of Bethel.

It's a debate that has already taken place in Florida, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Now, it's come to Maine and the Bethel area, and is prompting the introduction of

a bill in this session of the state Legislature. Timeshare organizations are gearing up to make their case by hiring lobbyists to represent their interests.

People who purchase timeshares buy the use of a condominium-style unit for a week during the course of a year. At the same time, they also acquire the rights to trade its usage for the opportunity to stay in another timeshare in another part of the country, or even the world. In most cases, the owners also get a deed for their time portion of the unit.

The units are currently assessed at

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Local skiers and TMS hoopsters cop crowns

By ALISON ALOISIO

This past week has been a winning one for Gould and Telstar alpine ski teams, as the downhillers brought home a total of three championships.

Gould NEPSAC champs

Gould's men's and women's teams took first place in the New England Prep School Alpine Championships last week in Bromley, Vt.

In the women's slalom event, Caroline Riss placed first; Katie Davison, seventh; Janka Husarova, 10th; and Jodi Curry,

12th.

In the men's race, Noah Siebeck-Smith took first place and Kristian Knights took second. Ben Drummond finished fifth; Orin Watson, 15th; and James Wilcox, 17th.

Riss took second place in the women's GS race, followed by Davison in fourth place; Curry, sixth; Husarova, ninth; and Erin Cianchette, 15th.

Knights placed first in the men's GS, followed by Siebeck-Smith, fourth; Drummond, sixth; Wilcox,

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Steady there, Gus



Carie Rolfe lends some symbolic support to Angus, King of the Mountain, and the volunteers preparing him for Friday's celebration. A snowballing number of visitors and media are coming to town to see Angus. (Photo by Michael Daniels)

'There must have been some magic ...'

'I couldn't believe they got all that snow.'

9-year-old Nathan Cavers of Poland

By ALISON ALOISIO

Friends and supporters are hoping he doesn't get too tipsy before his big day.

Friday will be the grand celebration day for "Angus, King of the Mountain," who on Monday passed the previous world-record snowman height of 96 feet, seven inches, held by Yagamata, Japan.

Angus was expected to reach the goal height of 110 feet Wednesday -- if a slight list to the south (where

the sun shines on him) doesn't put him on his hiny first.

Angus will be well accessorized for his big celebration. His features

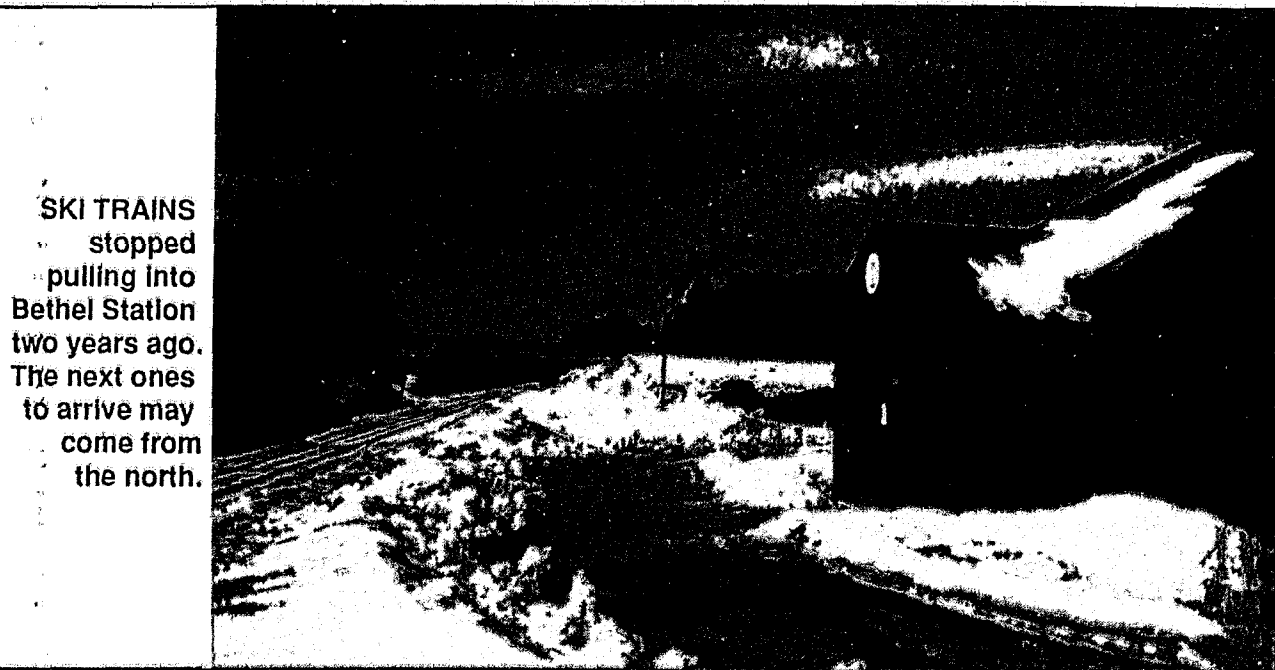
and livery will include a 21-foot round hat (made by TMS seventh-graders), a six-foot carrot nose (made by elementary students) five

tires for the mouth, a 120-foot fleece scarf, two 20-foot trees for arms and four skidder tires for buttons -- all of which are planned to be in place for Friday's event.

The volunteer construction crew has been working throughout the daylight hours for the past two weeks, packing snow into the round form used to raise the level four feet at a time.

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St. Lawrence & Atlantic eyeing Montreal ski market



SKI TRAINS stopped pulling into Bethel Station two years ago. The next ones to arrive may come from the north.

By ALISON ALOISIO

"There are 30 or 40,000 people in Portland. There are three or four million people in Montreal. It seems to me we've been looking in the wrong direction."

With that logic in mind, the president of the St. Lawrence & Atlantic Railroad is looking to bring ski trains back to Bethel -- possibly as soon as next winter.

"We need to go with where the people are," said Matt Jacobsen, president and chief operations officer for the growing railroad.

Passenger train service operated between Portland and Bethel earlier in this decade. Ski trains ran from December of 1993 through the winter of 1997, but were then discontinued due to low ridership.

The venture fell victim, in part, to the delay of a plan to also connect Portland to Boston via Amtrak ser-

vice. Efforts are still underway to make the plan a reality.

In this latest proposal, it's not just Canadian skiers Jacobsen is after. Riding the success of the past fall's Great Train Escape foliage tours, Jacobsen says he's not dismissing any possible Canadian passenger clientele. That could include, for instance, summer Canadian tourists headed for the southern Maine beaches.

Jacobsen likes his odds for pleasing a potential Canadian clientele.

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Ski train would be part of broader program to attract Canadian passengers

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Letters

JUST A CITIZEN

To the Editor:

I would like to reply to Nancy Willard's letter to the editor (Feb. 11). I put this article on the warrant as a citizen not as a selectman, just the same way any citizen has a legal right to do. That is the wonderful thing about Town Meetings. As for the issue of banning "jet skis," this should not have been done at a special Town Meeting anyway.

Special Town Meetings tend to bring out special interest groups only. I am against special Town Meetings; they should be used for emergency issues only.

This was no emergency. The Lakes Association was trying to make the citizens believe this had to be done right now and that is not the case. According to Tom Winsor, state representative, this will not be decided till sometime in year 2000. One of the recommendations is that towns must fund the enforcement end.

The following was presented to the Commissioner, and I quote: "The Community Lakes Association, which represents both Greenwood and Woodstock, will undertake public information and education activities to make people aware of 'jet ski' prohibition. Towns will post signs at all public access points."

They do not see a problem with this. Well I do -- nowhere does it say where the money is coming from. And signs do not work. We have signs all over town from stop signs, speed limit signs, no dogs on the beach, beach for residents only, no dumping, transfer station for Greenwood and Woodstock only. I could go on and on, but any intelligent voter knows who will end up footing the bill.

One other reason is I don't believe 33 people who voted for this represent the whole town of Greenwood. So I don't care if this article passes or not, but it will be voted on by more than 44 voters.

I hope every citizen shows up for the Town Meeting. It will be the first Town Meeting at the Legion Hall.

If I understood Mr. Winsor right, even if this gets through committee, it would have to have a two-thirds majority to make it law. So I guess I am wielding my power, power any citizen holds as a person.

Albert Curtis Sr.
Greenwood

PUPPIES AND PARVOVIRUS

To the Editor:

I am writing to alert area pet owners about a serious intestinal virus that has appeared in the past week. On Thursday, Feb. 11, a puppy was presented to Bethel Animal Hospital with severe vomiting and weakness. Although it is unconfirmed, we strongly suspect parvovirus, an extremely contagious and deadly virus that most commonly affects puppies who are unvaccinated.

Unfortunately, many pet owners are unfamiliar with the proper vaccination schedule. Puppies receive a series of vaccinations, starting between six and eight weeks of age. The entire series must be completed to ensure complete protection.

The parvovirus is spread very easily and does not require direct contact with an affected dog. The virus remains alive for a long period of time outside the dog's body. Once exposure occurs, signs begin in about five days. There are many reasons why puppies have digestive problems, so please don't assume that your puppy has parvovirus if there is an episode of vomiting.

Parvovirus has been a problem in dogs for over 20 years. Fortunately, the vaccination series is very effective at preventing a problem. Please don't panic if you own a puppy. If the vaccination series has been completed, your puppy will be protected.

And, of course, don't neglect to keep older dogs up to date in their vaccinations -- they can also be affected, though usually less severely, by parvovirus.

Gary J. Stuer, D.V.M.
Bethel Animal Hospital

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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We do not knowingly publish letters that have been submitted to other newspapers, or letters to third parties, or letters which endorse products, or letters which are unsigned. These guidelines will be waived, however, when doing so is deemed to be in the community's interest.

In the case of letters which are critical of individuals, businesses, institutions or other identifiable groups, the pertinent text of the letter (but not the name of the writer) will be sent prior to publication to the appropriate party for response. This is in the interest of fairness, allowing the criticized party to have their reply published at the same time as the criticism.

In situations where the letter writer has a political, economic, familial or other relationship that could be perceived as bearing on the topic addressed in the letter, we strongly suggest the writer make that relationship known in the text of the letter or after their signature.

In cases where the writer chooses not to do so, the editor reserves the right to make the relationship known. The decision as to whether a given relationship is in fact relevant shall lie solely with the editor. In questionable cases we will disclose the relationship and allow our readers to judge the relevance for themselves.

When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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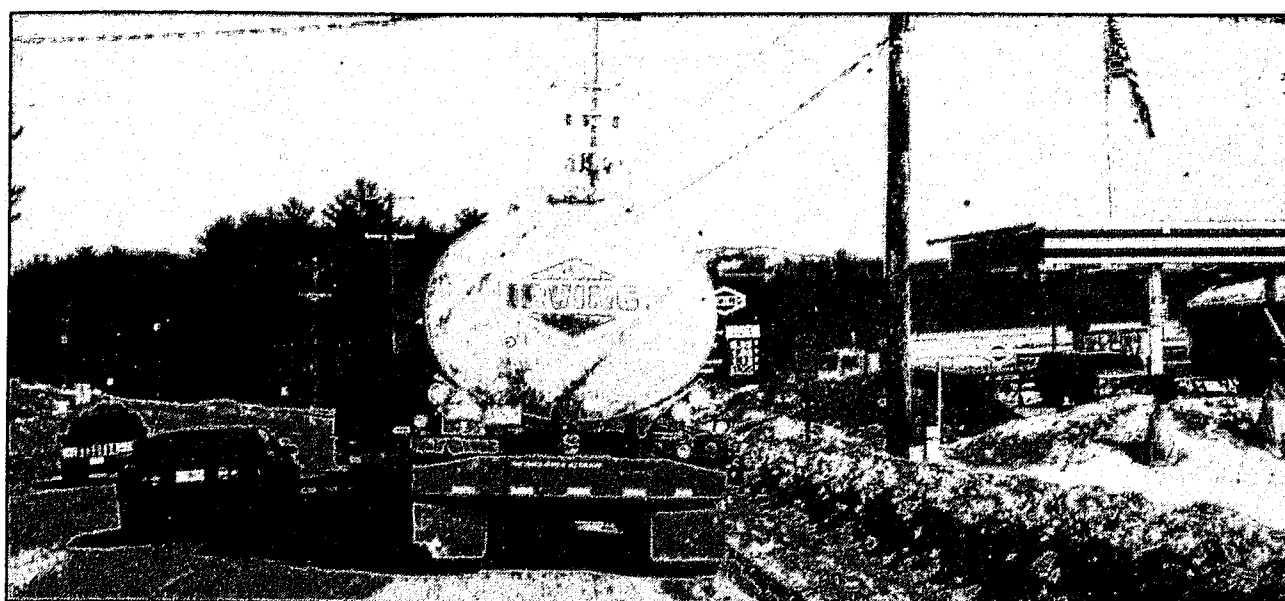
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HAZARD TO NAVIGATION--and it's illegal. Drivers attempting to exit Sunday morning from the Route 2 Irving station had to deal not only with occasionally heavy skier traffic headed east toward Sunday River, but also with a snowbank and illegally parked Irving tank truck that effectively blocked their view of the oncoming traffic. "You have to pull out into the travel lane to see what's coming at you in the lane," said Bethel Police Chief Darren Tripp. And he noted such situations have led to a number of accidents at the site. The driver of this truck actually pulled up directly in front of a "No Parking" sign, rather than park behind the store -- where there is enough space, Tripp said, "to land a Boeing."

(Photo by Michael Daniels)

LET'S GET THE BEACH

To the Editor:

I sincerely hope the town buys the Songo Pond beach property. It would be great to be able to go there swimming the way we used to. It would add a bit to the town, too.

Well I remember when my kids were small. A nickel bought enough candy to last a lifetime, and they'd stay in the water until they were purple. A fun-filled, sun-filled day, that cost nothing. We have a chance to get back something we lost years ago. Please do it.

Dorothy Murphy
West Bethel

GOULD SENIORS PLAN COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

To the Editor:

As part of Gould's annual Four Points program, the Academy's senior class is planning a week of service projects in hopes of giving back to the community that has nurtured them over the past four years. Highlights of their week will include campus maintenance projects as well as several outreach projects designed so that the students can share their talents and interests to the greater Bethel community.

On March 1, 2, and 3, the senior class will be offering a "Surfing the Internet" workshop for area senior citizens interested in checking out the World Wide Web for the first time or for those who wish to hone their "surfing" skills. These classes will take place from 1-3 p.m. and will convene in the lobby of Hanscom Hall.

In addition, the seniors will offer an "Adult Computer Literacy" class for all interested area residents on March 1, 2, and 3 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Topics covered will include Internet surfing, basic trouble shooting, explorations of web browsers, e-mail, and word processing.

Space is limited to 14 per day for each of these workshops and anyone interested is asked to contact Charlie Hitch at 824-7857 or by e-mail: (hitchc@gouldacademy.org). Please leave name, phone number and date of workshop. Daycare is available for participants in the evening classes.

On March 1st, the class will host a dinner for area senior citizens in the new Ordway Dining Hall. Students will serve the meal and offer special musical entertainment. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m., and no registration is required.

Soccer clinics, supervised by Gould Academy head coaches Marc Small and Lauren Head and run by senior varsity soccer players, will be offered for area elementary and middle school students. A clinic for 3rd and 4th graders is scheduled for March 1 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.; 5th and 6th graders on March 2; and 7th and 8th grade students on March 3. Please register by calling Marc Small at 824-4895 or e-mail: (smallm@gouldacademy.org). Please leave name, phone number and ages of children.

For more information on these events, please call 824-7778.

Lauren Simard
Gould Academy

Term limits rise again

By MIKE BROWN

It's a simply worded bill -- it repeals term limits. And it's bipartisan.

Who are these legislators who presume to repeal what state voters overwhelmingly voted for in 1994? They are Republican Reps. Rob Cameron of Rumford, Eleanor Murphy of Berwick, Glynys Lovett of Scarborough, Christine Savage of Union. Also Democratic Reps Laura Sanborn of Alton and Gary Wheeler of Eliot.

Democratic Senators lining up for term limit repeal are Carol Kontos of Cumberland, Bill O'Gara of Westbrook and Dick Rhuland of Brewer. And the senate's only independent, Jill Goldthwait of Bar Harbor, who frequently sides with the Democrats.

Back in 1994 the group supporting the referendum initiative timely filed 80,997 petition signatures. At the time, as now, the Democrats who opposed term limits appointed the attorney general and secretary of state. Mike Carpenter was the AG and Bill Diamond was secretary of state. They challenged many of the petition signatures although only 52,308 were needed for referendum.

In the end, Diamond approved 54,513 and the issue went to referendum which passed overwhelmingly. It was during this time that John Martin's name was invoked as the devil in term limits. Apparently many voters felt that way, also. Martin was sent back to north country (only to rise again this year) and more than 186 lawmakers eyeing the 1996 elections stepped down from public office.

It was like a breath of fresh air blowing through the State House. Not only were legislators confined to eight years in either body but the Legislature itself established term limits of four consecutive two-year terms on constitutional officers. And the Speaker of the House and president of the Senate could not serve more than three consecutive terms in those respective offices.

All the propaganda negatives fell by the wayside. The lobbyists have not taken over the Legislature.

Legislative staff are not omnipotent. And what's more, the courts agree that term limits are legal.

And so what is the problem? Self-importance, perhaps. The prime sponsor, Rob Cameron, is in his final fourth term. Savage is in her third term. Goldthwait and Rhuland are in their third terms.

There is a self-serving ego nature to politics that the store just might have to close its doors if they were not around to look after things. Malarkey, of course. If a legislator needs more than eight years in a "citizens" transient Legislature to leave his or her mark on society, then perhaps he or she just needs a job, not a position.

Maine must never again revert back to the days of John Martin's pompous oligarchy rule.

Term limits should go ever farther by including two persons who have as much influence over the people's business as any term-limited legislator -- the Secretary of Senate and Clerk of the House. These are political plums dished out to loyal partisans of the ruling legislative party. It has nothing to do with competence.

If these positions are "bipartisan" as the current office holders contend, then they should not be afraid to be elected on a two-thirds vote in their respective Houses.

Thomas Jefferson was for term limits. He wrote a letter to Edmond Pendleton in 1776 stating that "my reason for fixing them in office for a term of years was that they might have an idea that they were at a certain period to return to the masses of people and become the governed instead of the governors."

A much later bombastic President Harry Truman said term limits would "help cure senility and seniority -- both terrible legislative diseases."

(Veteran newsman and columnist Mike Brown writes regularly on the Augusta political scene. His views are his own and do not necessarily reflect those of The Citizen.)



WEST BETHEL HEAD START CHILDREN held a Teddy Bear Picnic last week. Shown here are (from left) Kristy Pratt, Lexi Broomhall, Jacob Wakefield, Corey Howard, Allie Kelly, Megan Anthony, Sammy Hinkley.

(Photo by Becky Carter)

OUR BACK PAGES

Compiled by POLLY DAVIS

10 years ago: Telstar Rebels finished fourth place for the girls and seventh place for the boys at the Class A State Meet at Pleasant Mountain in Bridgton.

Matt Cummings received severe head injuries while skiing at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Allen Bancroft was elected president of the Associated General Contractors of Maine.

The first meeting of the new Book Group was held at the home of Walter and Carol Hatch.

A preliminary meeting was held to determine the feasibility of staffing a Farmer's Market in Bethel.

Bernadette Mills of Bethel was chosen a finalist in the Miss Maine USA Pageant.

Births: Ryan Kimball, Paul Gaudreau, Brittany Cole.

Deaths: Gerald Cushing, Myrtle Bacon.

20 years ago: Five Telstar Regional High School girls placed in the top 15 cross-country skiers at Livermore Falls, which placed Telstar second in the State Class B Championships; the race was won by Jody Deans of Telstar.

The Elk, submitted by Gloria Bolio, was voted as the Woodstock Elementary School mascot.

Bethel, Alaska, resident Sigvard Knudsen, principal of the Bethel Region High School in Alaska, was guest speaker at the Bethel Rotary Club, where he discussed the idea of having Eskimo students visit Bethel, Maine.

Marriages: Tammy Garey and Lawrence Ward, Helen Varner and Paul Judkins Sr.

Deaths: Stella Skillings, Harriet Sessions.

30 years ago: Retiring Andover postmaster, Myra Crooker, was honored at a public reception held at the Christian Education Building in Andover.

Pastor Milton M. Gross of the Church of the Open Bible was called as pastor of the West Hampden Baptist Church and planned to move there in the near future.

Officers elected to the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce were: president, Wendell Twitchell; vice president, Sterling Mills; treasurer, Cleo Billings; directors, Evelyn Bean, James Billings, Archille Poulin, James Farrar, Muriel Raymond and Vernon Poland.

Peter Kailey of Sunday River and Nancy Pitcher of Edward Little High School, Auburn, won the feature races in the annual Telstar Schuss held at Chisholm Winter Park on Black Mountain, Rumford.

Births: Russ Hale, Christopher Dunham, Dominic Costa.

Marriage: Peggy Wing and Bruce Thurlow.

40 years ago: Leon Wilson resigned his position as Inland Fish and Game Warden after 27 years of service.

Mrs. Harold Fleming and Mrs. Hazen Lowell of West Bethel were uninjured when a pulp truck skidded into the Fleming car parked in the Lowell driveway (now owned by David and Deborah Luxton).

Vance A. Richardson was appointed to the position of Senior Master at Gould Academy.

Officers of The Pineland Ski Club in Andover were: Clarence Remington, president; Bill French and Paul Bodwell, first and second vice presidents; Mrs. William Helm Sr., secretary; Ira Bodwell, treasurer.

A telephone was installed in the Locke Mills Post Office.

Births: Pamela Blake, Rita Hale.

Marriages: Geneva Silver and Rodney Westleigh, Sarah Morgan and Randal Stevens.

Death: Anthony Berryment.

50 years ago: The Bethel Lions Club celebrated their 20th anniversary with Ladies Night.

Mr. and Mrs. George Knight were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary with a party given by friends and neighbors at the home of Mrs. B.S. Tyler.

Varsiteers, a picked group of male voices from the University of Maine, gave a concert at Gould Academy's William Bingham Gymnasium, under the auspices of the school's William Rogers Chapman Club.

Birth: Donna Tanguay.

Marriages: Lola Billings and Clayton Crockett, Helen Foster and Albert Saucier.

Death: Roscoe Andrews.

100 years ago: Horse races were taking place on the Androscoggin River ice track.

J.U. Purington was painting the interior of his store (stood where the Bethel Ambulance Barn is today).

Maud Mayo was drilling Gould Academy students in elocution and prize speaking.

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Briefly

"Jet ski" article decision delayed

WOODSTOCK--The decision whether to bring back the "jet ski" issue to Woodstock voters will wait another week. Residents voted by a 3-1 margin at a special Town Meeting in October in favor of a recommendation to the Legislature to ban the craft on some town ponds. But resident Gary Wing said special Town Meetings do not provide a representative cross-section of voters, and asked the issue be put on the warrant for next month's annual Town Meeting. Only two of the town's three selectmen were in attendance at Tuesday's regular selectmen's meeting, however, and the vote on putting the article on the warrant was split. Leon Poland said he was willing to include a citizen request for an article, but Steve Bies was opposed. "It's not a new issue," said Bies. "It's muddying the waters of an old issue." Lakes Association president Nancy Willard, who attended the selectmen's meeting, said the special Town Meeting format was spelled out by the Legislature as part of the "fast track" procedure allowing towns to petition to ban the craft as soon as this summer or the summer of 2000. The Legislature is scheduled to consider during its current session whether to approve the town's recommendation. Greenwood, which also voted in October in favor of a ban, has already decided to reconsider the issue at its annual Town Meeting.

P.O. returns to Main St. in March

BETHEL--The Bethel Post Office will officially move back to its Main Street location from its temporary site in Bethel Station on March 6, according to postmaster Norman Millard. The move will take place after the office closes at 12:30 p.m. The office will reopen for business on Monday, March 8. Customers are asked to pick up their mail as early as possible in the day. Any notices for parcels should also be picked up at customers' earliest convenience.

Seamans to moderate

NEWRY--In a break from tradition, the Newry Town Meeting will likely be moderated this year by Chip Seamans, Sunday River managing director, instead of Les Otten. Otten has been the moderator for many years, but a schedule conflict will apparently prevent it this year, according to town officials. Seamans' debut performance at the 7 p.m. meeting in the Grange Hall will be preceded by a pot luck supper at 5:30 p.m..

Town line off in places

NEWRY--Surveyor Gary Inman told selectmen Tuesday the Newry/Bethel town line is off by 200 feet in some places. Inman is resurveying the line as the result of a court ruling eight years ago in favor of a new survey. The last survey was done in the 1940s. The court case resulted after Bethel hired a surveyor to do the line over again, and Newry objected. Inman will be paid by both towns for his work, which he expects to complete by May 1. Selectman Steve Wight said the towns will then have to determine how the changes in the line will affect individual property owners. Inman said magnetic rock may have thrown off the survey done 50 years ago.

Camp lots proposed for Albany

ALBANY--Developer Jim Perry wants to subdivide 113 acres in Albany Township for camp lots, he told Oxford County Commissioners Tuesday. The property, located off routes 5 and 35, would be divided into nine lots a minimum of 11 acres each in size, he said. He plans to build camps on some lots and sell others undeveloped, and expects they would be used by weekend skiers and during the summer. The Land Use Regulation Commission will hear the subdivision application in about a month. The Oxford County commissioners agreed to send a letter to LURC saying the project would have a neutral impact on the county, if area road, trash, fire and rescue officials indicate that is the case.

Snowmobile starts garage fire

WEST PARIS--A snowmobile gas tank apparently ignited Monday, setting a garage on fire and burning two cars, a truck and a tractor. No one was hurt in the High Street blaze. Owner Bryan Miller said he was working on the machine when he tried to start it and it backfired, causing an explosion. The 20- by 40-square-foot building was engulfed when firefighters arrived. Fire trucks from West Paris, Paris, Norway and Woodstock responded to the fire, along with Tri-Town Rescue and PACE ambulance.

SAD44 free at Nite Cap

NEWRY--On Wednesday, Feb. 24, parents and students in the SAD44 region are invited to participate in a free evening of fun and entertainment at the Nite Cap Fun Center at Sunday River's White Cap Base Lodge. The center includes a lift-served snow tubing course, a lift-served and lit halfpipe, an ice skating rink, guided snowshoeing and an arcade for family fun after the ski lifts shut down for the day. Hours are from 2 to 9 p.m. Students who are on the SAD44 superintendent's list or adults who show proof of residing in the SAD44 region are welcome.

Giant town to replace UTs?

AUGUSTA--Critics of the way Maine's unorganized territories are regulated have a new plan: They want to create a single town larger than the land area of all organized municipalities. Rep. Henry Joy, R-Crystal, told a legislative panel the 7,000 residents of the unorganized territories "want the same rights as the rest of the state. UTs have no say in how their property is valued, how their taxes are levied, what services are to be provided to them or how their schools are to be operated," he said. About 10 million acres of unorganized territory is overseen by the Land Use Regulation Commission, which has been a target in recent years of property rights advocates. Complaining of excessive regulation and taxation, some activists have talked of secession. The proposal by Joy would replace LURC with a council of 128 members, representing each of the territories' populated townships. LURC director John Williams said the proposal to replace his agency would be unworkable and would provide no better representation.

Two more survive Washington

MT. WASHINGTON--Two Pennsylvania men spent a cold night in a snow cave on Mt. Washington after becoming disoriented following a technical climb up Pinnacle Gully in Huntington Ravine. Dan Krissinger of Hershey, Pa. and an unidentified climber from Harrisburg, Pa. were planning a day trip up and down the mountain Saturday when darkness and blowing snow forced them to change their plans. Unsure of their location and suffering from hypothermia, the two decided to spend the night in a snow cave after making an emergency call on their cellular phone. Darkness white-out conditions and the climbers' uncertain location delayed a rescue attempt until morning. At first light, Snow-Cats from the Mt. Washington Observatory and WMTW Channel 8 (which has a broadcast tower on the mountain) shuffled rescuers up the Auto Road, where they had a half-mile walk to the climbers. Both were found in good spirits just before 9 a.m. Sunday morning. One was suffering from apparent frostbite to his feet and was taken to a local hospital.

Elm funding bill proposed

WATERVILLE--Rep. Kenneth Gagnon of Waterville is sponsoring legislation he hopes will fund the return of the American Elm Tree. Dutch Elm disease killed many American Elms across the U.S. in the mid-20th century. The proposed bill, An Act to Increase the Number of Elm Trees in the State, will be sent to the joint Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Gagnon wants to appropriate \$250,000 to the Department of Conservation during fiscal year 1999-2000. The funds would be used as grants to cities and towns, with the municipalities matching the funding. Fifty percent of the state funds would be used for elm trees, while the other half would go toward other shade trees, including maple, alh and oak.

From the Bethel Police log:

Head 'em up, move 'em home

At 9:57 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 14 police received a report of loose goats and cows on the Flat Road in West Bethel. The animals were apprehended and tied to a residence until the owner arrived.

Thursday, Feb. 11

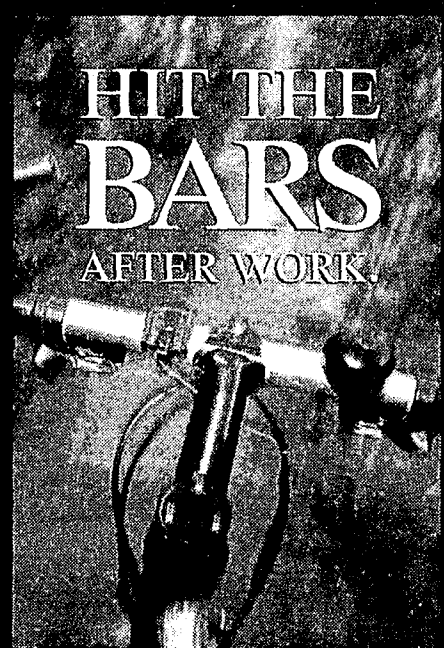
At 8:45 a.m. police apprehended a stray dog on Main Street and issued the owner a verbal warning.

At 10:18 a.m. police apprehended a dog on Winter Street and returned it to the owner after receipt of a \$25 impound fee.

Saturday, Feb. 13

At 7:07 p.m. police came upon a vehicle stuck on a snowbank on Martin Lane. The operator showed signs of intoxication and was given numerous field sobriety tests. Based on the tests and his statements, Christopher D. Donahue, 35, of Beverly, Mass. was arrested for OUI. During a search of the subject a usable amount of marijuana was located in his jacket pocket. He was taken to the Oxford County Jail, where he was processed for OUI. He refused a breath test, and after he signed an implied consent form he was given a summons for the above offenses. Donahue was held in lieu of bail.

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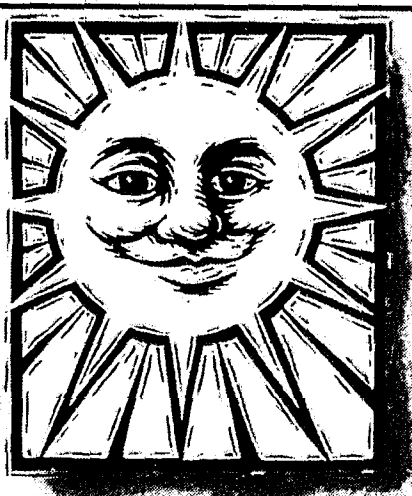
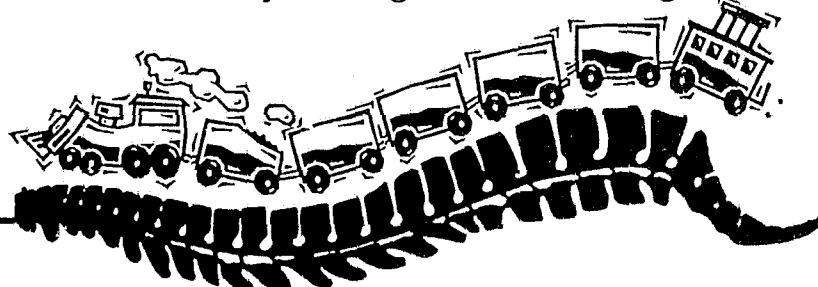
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Angus

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The snowman's namesake, Goy, Angus King, is expected to be in town Friday for an 11 a.m. speech. King's address will come in the middle of a 10 a.m. to noon dedication and ceremony in the parking lot of the Casablanca Cinema.

The public is invited to the celebration. Bethel's Cub Scout Pack 566 and Bear Den 5 will be providing hot cocoa.

ABC Television's "Good Morning America" is also scheduled to feature a live shot of the snowman site between 8 and 8:30 a.m.

A traffic-stopper

In the past week, as the snowman grew, so did the number of people stopping to gawk and take pictures.

Wednesday, cars and even tour buses lined the Parkway as workers prepared to put the scarf on Angus. "It's cute," said Marcia Cavers of Poland as she got out of her car. Cavers, her husband, Jim and their three grandchildren made a special trip to Bethel to see Angus. "It's really big," said 9-year-old Nathan Cavers. "I couldn't believe they got all that snow."

Roberta Taylor of the Bottle & Bag said her business has seen a steady stream of people who came to town specifically to see the snowman. "They were coming all weekend," she said.

Polly Jordan, who works at the

Bethel Post Office and sees Angus on a daily basis, said the crew building him has been "working very hard. I pick the mail up at quarter of seven, and they're out there working."

The snow structure has drawn steady interest to the Chamber of Commerce's Internet web site. An associated chat room drew people from North Carolina, Iowa, Florida and Tennessee, snowman coordinator Paula Wheeler said. Angus has also been a regular feature on Portland television stations.

The project organizers are already looking to the future, when the snowman inevitably melts. The "When He Melts Raffle" offers tickets at a dollar each or six for \$5 for a date sometime this spring or summer.

Wheeler has her date -- July 7. She said she was writing a check at Wal-Mart in January, and inadvertently wrote July 7 instead of January. "It must be a premonition," she said.

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Schism splits bingo-hall opponents

By MICHAEL DANIELS

A difference over tactics has split the ranks of Albany residents battling plans for a high-stakes bingo hall in their township.

Lawyers representing the Albany Improvement Association last week filed a motion opposing an earlier motion by Attorney Jeff Rosenblatt, also a bingo-hall opponent.

Both sides in Albany seek the same ultimate outcome, but differences over how to achieve it are deepening, and leading to some rancor.

"We wouldn't have to be spending money on this if it wasn't for Jeff's antics," said Doty Duddy, president of the cash-strapped AIA.

The bingo-hall plan -- which calls for a 43,000 foot facility that will seat 2,000 -- was approved by the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission in November 1997.

That approval was appealed by two separate groups of local residents, and in January of this year Justice Thomas Humphrey of the Kennebec County Superior Court sided with them, overturning LURC's approval.

Humphrey, however, ruled on only one of the three major points raised by the opponents -- a relatively technical matter concerning the legal status of the 18-acre parcel on which the tribe hoped to build the hall.

Opponents -- who argue the hall would ruin the quiet, rural quality of life in the township -- rejoiced at Humphrey's ruling.

And the tribe -- which argues it badly needs the money the hall would generate -- appealed the ruling to the Maine Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court challenge will most likely be the final round of the local opponents' lengthy and costly battle against the hall.

But as the two groups girded for that battle, serious differences arose over how to deal with it.

Rosenblatt filed a motion against the Pansamaguddy's appeal, arguing that since Humphrey ruled on only one of the issues raised in the Superior Court appeal, his ruling was incomplete and could not yet be appealed.

But in an opposing motion, lawyers for the AIA group argued that

Humphrey's ruling should be allowed to stand.

Rosenblatt said there were two primary reasons behind his appeal: time and tactics.

"I think there's a distinct possibility that the Supreme Court will find that there is no final judgment and simply dismiss it without anybody requesting that it be dismissed," he said, and that would draw that whole process out even longer.

'Either way it comes out now, at least we'll have a posture that will ensure the case will go forward.'

JEFF ROSENBLATT
Albany attorney

As for tactics, he said, "In my opinion it is best for me to posture (Humphrey's ruling) as being only a decision on count one, so that if I lose on count one for some reason I still get to go back to the Superior Court and have it reconsider counts two and three, which it never has considered."

But Margaret Wille, an attorney and part-time Albany resident working on the AIA's case, disagrees.

"Those things (Humphrey) didn't rule on are alternative legal issues, and they can all be brought up again at the law (supreme) court," she said. "Basically we got everything we wanted, and we do not lose our right to argue any of the alternative basis for ruling in our favor."

It boils down to a difference over how to play the cards in their hands, Wille said. "We all have the same objective, we just differ over tactics. I actually don't think separating out issues of statutory construction from the overall fact pattern is

helpful to us. I would prefer to have the court take it as a whole and make its decision that way."

There is also the simple matter of money. She said Rosenblatt's approach, "of spreading things out, is more costly, and we don't have unlimited resources."

Rosenblatt said Wednesday he was satisfied with the way things had worked out so far.

"I'm happy to sit back now and see what happens. Whatever happens we will proceed with the appeal," he said. "Either way it comes out now, at least we'll have a posture that will ensure the case will go forward."

On another front

Wille said this week that there is apparently another card in play: the question of whether LURC even has jurisdiction over Indian Territory.

LURC claims it does, but the tribe has from the beginning argued the state agency does not have authority over Indian Territory. In a 1997 letter the tribe said it was only submitting a bingo-hall application to LURC "as a courtesy."

And Humphrey's ruling contained an aside ("dicta") that appears to support the tribe's contention.

In a footnote he wrote that the state did not have authority over Indian Territory. (But since he also ruled the land in question is not Indian Territory, the sovereignty issue does not affect the outcome in the Albany case -- unless the supreme court finds that the land does in fact qualify as Indian Territory.)

The tribe is now trying to have the 1997 letter entered into the court record, Wille said, indicating they are likely to pursue that line of argument.

"There wouldn't be any reason to put that in the record, unless you were getting ready to deal with that question," she said.

She also noted, however, that Humphrey's comment on the matter "does not have any precedential value, because it wasn't the question before the court."

She said that the bingo-hall opponents have long thought the easy treatment the tribe appeared to receive from LURC was a result of the agency's -- and the state's -- reluctance to directly confront the sovereignty issue.

"This is why LURC was willing to bend over backward to approve the project," she said, "so they could avoid the tribe's challenge to LURC's authority."

Railroad

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"People are used to riding trains in Canada. Montrealers might not think twice about jumping on a train."

Jacobsen's ideas are made possible by his company's December purchase of 100 miles of track between Norton, Vt. and St. Rosalie, Que., allowing St. L&A to extend its current service. St. Rosalie is about 30 miles from Montreal's central train station, Jacobsen said.

Unlike Sunday River's Ski Train, Jacobsen's company is much more in control of its own fate. His plans can become a reality without waiting for another rail company to deliver. The Portland-Boston connection was held up by negotiations over track maintenance and liability with Guilford Transportation Inc., the owner of the track between the cities.

"We're looking at what we can do with the existing track structure," he said.

With train speeds limited to 25 to 45 miles per hour on the northern

New England track and 45 to 60 miles per hour in Canada, however, the attraction would have to be in large part the train ride itself. Overall speeds competitive with road travel are not possible -- at least not yet.

But Jacobsen thinks there's a market for the excursion traveler, based on the response to the fall foliage trips. The Great Train Escape tours -- at \$3,000 a person -- were "wildly successful," said Jacobsen. "We had waiting lists." People came from as far away as Germany to ride the trains through New England, he said.

Another possible train tour might run from Montreal to Portland, with passengers then boarding a steamship for a trip up the coast and down the St. Lawrence River. And, Jacobsen noted, the newly-purchased section of track is on the Canadian National Railroad's mainline passenger-carrying route to Halifax, Nova Scotia.

And down the road, there is al-

ways the option of upgrading the tracks to allow higher-speed, regularly scheduled service from Montreal.

St. Lawrence & Atlantic's proposals are currently being discussed with the Maine Department of Transportation, with the idea of coordinating "with what their plan is for tourists," said Jacobsen. "It makes good public policy -- and we hope to make some money doing it."

He has also discussed the idea generally with the American Skiing Co., he said.

St. L&A was recently recognized for its success in shifting the transportation of oil from 18-wheeler tanker trucks to train tankers -- thus taking 4,000 loads of oil off Routes 2 and 26 annually.

His hope now, said Jacobsen, is to "be as successful taking tourists off that road (Route 26) as we were taking oil trucks off. I think there's a market there."

Champs

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seventh; and Watson, 14th.

THS wins state giant slalom

Telstar High School's girls' alpine ski team won the Class A state giant slalom championship at Sunday River Monday.

The Rebels were led by Stephanie

Vaughan, who won the 76-skier, 12-team race to claim the individual title. Becky LaVallee placed third. The other scorers for Telstar were Malinda Gilbert, 17th, and Lacy Phillips, 24th.

The team defeated squads from other Class A schools including

Edward Little, Leavitt, Mt. Blue,

Mountain Valley and Oxford Hills.

Vaughan also won Tuesday's slalom race, giving her an individual sweep of the two events. LaVallee also matched her own Monday performance by finishing third in the slalom.

TMS boys' basketball team takes first title

The Telstar Middle School boys' varsity basketball team clinched their first-ever Sandy Andy Basketball League Championship last Thursday, beating Tripp Middle School 35-31 in the title game.

"They stuck to their game plan," O'Connor said of his team's effort against Tripp. "They're a great, energetic group that I like very much."

Wade Osgood led the Rebel scoring with 20 points. On the way to the championship, Telstar beat

Mountain Valley Middle School three times -- twice in the regular season and once in a preliminary playoff game. In the 12 years O'Connor has coached the middle school team, the squad had never beaten Falcons in the regular season until now.

As for Tripp, the Rebels lost to them twice this season, but won in the end, when it really counted. Telstar finishes the season with a record of 18-2. (See team photo, page 10.)

Women's Health Conference

The ninth annual Women's Health Conference will be held on Saturday, March 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Crescent Park School.

The event, which features keynote and workshop sessions on topics of interest to women of all ages as well as exhibits and demonstrations and a delicious, healthy

lunch, is sponsored by the Bethel Family Health Center, SAD44 Adult Education, Swift River Health Care and Western Maine OBGYN.

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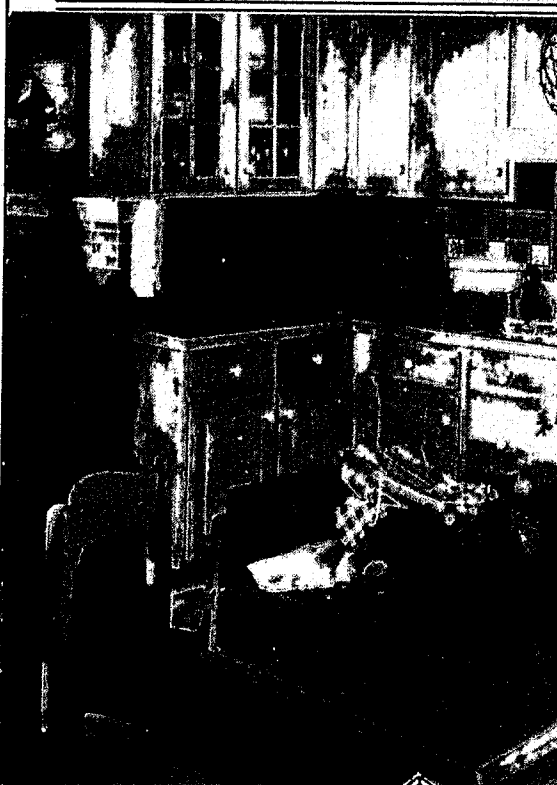


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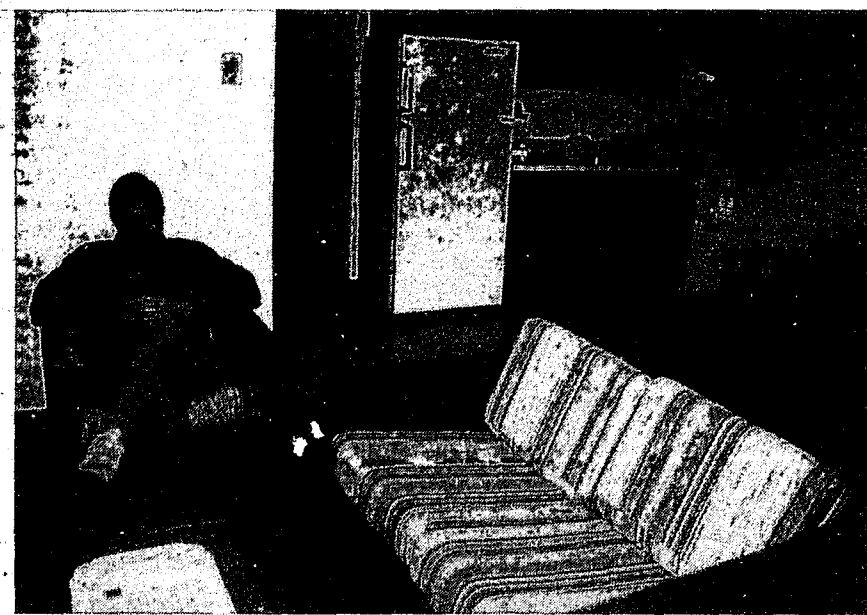
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Timeshares

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SEE THE DIFFERENCE?
Except for minor differences in furnishings, River View manager Chad McGrew doesn't. The condo unit (left) is valued by Bethel at \$65,000, while the timeshare unit valuations total \$287,000.



10 percent off their full sale value, resulting in the increase to approximately \$287,000 each.

The River View began converting its condos to timeshares in late 1996. So far, 12 of the 700-square-foot units have been converted. It is expected at least 29 of the 32 total units will go over to timeshares in the next three to five years, according to McGrew.

Timeshares at the River View cost between \$4,000 and \$12,000, according to McGrew. "They (the owners) are buying into a huge travel network," he said.

In addition, the owners also pay an annual maintenance fee, which includes their individual share of the unit's tax bill.

In 1998 -- when the timeshares were still assessed at the same rate as condominiums -- that fee was \$245. But with the increase in assessment for 1999, the fee has jumped to \$345. Twenty dollars of the increase is in true maintenance

costs, said McGrew. The other \$80 is the tax increase. The total tax bill for each unit went from \$942 to \$4,160, he said.

The bills went out Jan. 15, and McGrew has been fielding calls from irate owners ever since. Now, he said, they are channeling their anger into letters to legislators supporting statewide legislation to reduce the assessments.

The River View is also appealing to Bethel to change the method.

McGrew argues its not fair to tax the value of the timeshare trading option as part of the property tax. If the town wants to start levying a usage value tax, said McGrew, "legislate that, and let us vote on it. But don't tell me it's a property tax."

McGrew also argues that timeshare developers don't make the huge profits one might expect from looking superficially at the prices the units draw. "Fifty percent of it goes toward marketing," he

said.

On the other hand, a timeshare family typically spends about \$1,000 during the week they stay in the area, said McGrew. Once all the conversions to timeshares are made, he said, "That's \$28,000 to \$30,000 a week brought into the local economy." And that, he says, helps justify giving the units a break on property valuations.

The River View timeshare units do offer higher quality furnishings than the condo units, including a larger TV, a microwave and better furniture, said McGrew. He said about \$9,000 was put into each unit to add those types of items.

Allen Connors, manager at the Bethel Inn, said the change in assessment is having a similar effect there. Seven of 40 units have been converted to timeshares, with more expected. A condo is assessed at \$120,000, while a similar timeshare is approximately \$360,000. The individual timeshares sold so far have

gone for an average price of \$7,500.

Like McGrew, Connors doesn't think it's fair to tax the other amenities that go with a timeshare. When buyers purchase a share, said Connors, they also buy into a lifetime membership with the Inn, and that is taxed as property sales income tax. It shouldn't be taxed again by the town, he said.

In neighboring New Hampshire, timeshare units are assessed the same as condominiums. Owners there will watch how Maine handles the issue out of concern Maine municipalities' current method might spread over the border, said McGrew.

McGrew said he thinks a compromise could be worked out. In Florida, for instance, timeshares are assessed at 50 percent of their sale value, he said.

On the other side of the issue, assessor Rainey said the timeshare prices were provided by the companies. "They've set their own

prices on these, and now they're trying to get out of paying," he said.

Rainey believes it is legitimate to include the timeshare-trading value of the units in the property tax. "It is real estate, and it's selling as real estate," he said. "It's not a piece of equipment, or a user fee."

Besides, Rainey added, "There's no other way to do it at this point."

Meeting among towns planned

Maine Municipal Association is planning to bring together towns affected by the timeshare issue to prepare for dialogue with timeshare representatives.

MMA communications manager Michael Starn voiced an opinion similar to Rainey's regarding the issue. "It all boils down to what somebody is willing to pay for it (a timeshare)" he said.

Starn said comparing condos and timeshares is like comparing a Mercury Marquis car with a Mercedes. "They're both basic transportation,

but people see more value in the Mercedes," he said. The timeshares offer more than just the chance to stay in that unit, and that figures into its value, too.

Starn said a simpler method of assessment and taxation is needed for timeshares, and that might ultimately be a result of owner/municipality dialogue on the issue.

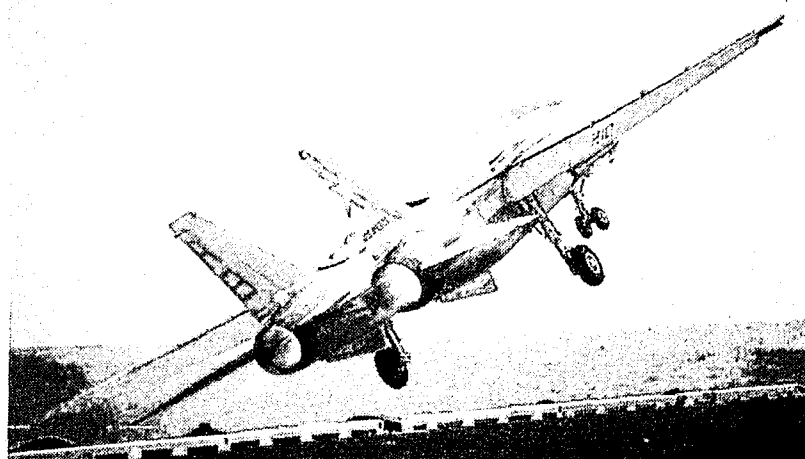
Issue for Newry, also

Newry selectmen received a call from MMA at their meeting last week asking if they would like to attend MMA's statewide meeting regarding timeshares.

The Marriott Corp. is planning a timeshare complex for Sunday River Ski Resort's Jordan Bowl area, raising the issue for Newry. The selectmen indicated they would be interested in the meeting.

Administrative assistant Sylvia Gray was not sympathetic to giving timeshares a break on assessment. "It's fair market value," she said.

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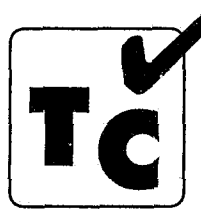
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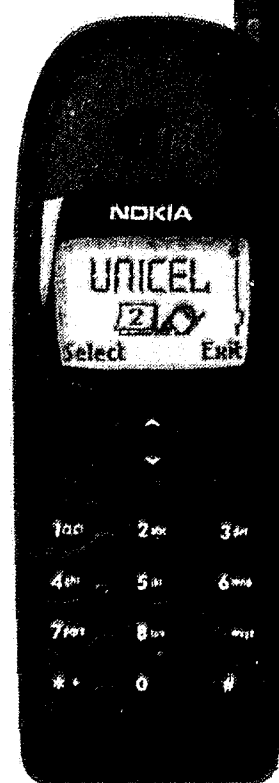
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Bethel



by Virginia Keniston
Elise and Sarah Keniston of Turner were overnight guests of Bob and Ginny Keniston last Sunday. They enjoyed skiing at Mt. Abram on Monday.

Last weekend, Lindley and Pauline Wieden were pleased to have their daughter, Cynthia Paine of Keene, N.H., and their son Stephen of Windham visit them. Cynthia and Stephen took their parents to the Rebel Recreation Restaurant for dinner Saturday evening, where a lovely home-cooked meal was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Crockett will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Friday, Feb. 19. Please help them celebrate their special day by sending cards or notes to P.O. Box 420.

Muriel Butters has returned home after spending several weeks visiting her son Tony and family in Prattville, Ala., and her sister, Florine and Bud Bowden in Florida.

An unusual sight on Feb. 15 was the workman painting the new finish work on the exterior of the Bethel Post Office. What a difference a nice, sunny day makes in the winter.

The Bethel Garden Club met at Carol Nielsen's on Feb. 15 to discuss plans for the summer flowers to be put in the two triangles on upper Main Street, the gazebo, the triangle at The Parkway, the library hanging plants, and window boxes at the Town Office.

The Boston Flower Show trip, scheduled for March 20, will leave Bethel at 7 a.m. Make arrangements with JoAnn Crockett (824-3288) or Lola Crockett (824-2228).

Sunday afternoon, Feb. 14, the Bethel Methodist Church was the

scene of a delightful 40th Anniversary Party for Sarah and Randal Stevens. Family and friends from far and wide were in attendance. The cake was made by Virginia Hutchins.

Michael Collins and Beverly Freeman, with their sons Ross and Brady of Belmont, Mass., visited with Bob and Polly Davis throughout the long weekend while staying at the home of Jim Lunney.

Bethel House

by Ruth Cummings

Thanks to Lindley for making the doorstep for our post office downstairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Hanscom and son Tyler of South Weymouth, Mass., spent a week recently with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom Jr. While here they visited other relatives in town.

Judy Gagnon of Cumberland Center visited her mother, Irene Russell, at the Bethel House.

Vada Glover visited me on Friday and took me to the store and also to Dr. Liberty's. We played cribbage and now with 42 games in '99, Vada is four ahead.

Communion was observed on the 7th at the Bethel Alliance Church. There was a good attendance. Pastor Rick's message "Getting Back to the Cross" was very nice. Pastor Rick sang a solo accompanied by Judy Webster at the piano. Many lovely hymns and choruses were sung, but I do believe my favorites for the day were "Calvary Covers it All" and "I am Thine Oh Lord." I believe this is listed in some hymnals as "Draw Me Nearer."

"Why do you worry about the years that your feet have not yet trod? Live instead with trust not fear and in fellowship with God." Anon.

"Words of kindness spread so gently. They give volume to one's

voice: Words of joy and words of gladness. Make a humble heart rejoice." Potts.

"Words of insight, gems of guidance. Help when someone's in a test; But when comfort is what's needed, Silent presence may be best." Sper.

Margaret Quinlan was a recent visitor of Irene Russell.

Paul Bartlett visited his mother, Helena Bartlett, recently.

Joyce Seckinger wrote that they have had three snowstorms and that the last one there was no school. Ethan and Jedd and all the other children had to go to school on Presidents' Day to make it up, as no storm days were written into the school calendar.

Vada was up on Tuesday and took me to the bank, post office and store. We had a lovely dinner at the Frozen Logger and we also played cribbage. It certainly was not my lucky day. I would get almost across to win and she would pass me to win. Sad but true, in 54 games she is now 10 ahead. I said sad but true, but no tears were shed. She skunked me once and I skunked her once. The other games were close but she was smarter than I was that day. Oh well, there is another day coming and it is possible I will have better luck.

Andover



by Tina Farrington

There will be a Public Hearing on Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall in regard to a Well Head Ordinance. Also in discussion will be an update on a Flood Plain Ordinance. Absentee ballots are available at the Town Office during regular business hours.

Annual Town Meeting warrant information is available at the Town Office.

The Class of 2001 will hold a Candidate Forum on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 7 p.m. at the Andover Elementary School to raise funds for the Educational Fund. The candidates running

for selectman at the annual meeting will be interviewed.

Dan Peare is our new animal control officer. He can be reached at 392-1197. If you no longer have a dog, please notify the Town Office to help eliminate confusion with overdue dog licenses.

Mr. Archer Poor of Andover and Mr. Robert Swain of East Andover went to the 80th birthday celebration of Mr. Robert French in Conway, N.H., on Feb. 6.

There will be a SAD44 Community Free Ski Day at Sunday River on Feb. 21.

The Andover Parent Teacher group will meet on Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

The Ellis River Riders will hold their annual Sleigh Rally at Antcliff's Farm on Route 108 in Peru on Sunday, Feb. 21, starting at 10 a.m. Hot foods, sleigh rides, and pony rides are on sale and sleigh competitions begin at 1 p.m.

The annual Grand Prix car race of the Calvary Congregational Church Awana Clubs will be held on Friday, Feb. 26, at 5:30 p.m.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Judith Grover Tent 17, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, met on Monday, Feb.

8, at the Grange Hall for a regular meeting and installation of officers. National President Gail Butterfield installed the officers with Department President Mary Jones acting as guide and Debbie Millett as chaplain during the installation.

The following officers were installed: senior vice president, Heather Jordan; junior vice president, Helvi Cary; chaplain, Elena Noyes; treasurers, Harriett Estes and Alice Hoyt; council members, number one, Elsie Brooks, number two, Beatrice Farnum and number three, Bessie House; patriotic instructor, Elizabeth Hoover; secretary and press corp., Alice Hoyt; guide, Sally Sawyer; assistant guard, Elsie Bonney; color bearers,

number three, Marybeth Hoover, number four, Tiffany Jordan and historian, Bessie House. Department President Mary Jones gave the tent a flag to be used where needed. The pole on the common by the post office needs a new flag, so probably we will use it there.

Correspondence was noted and bills paid. We voted to put on the Senior Citizens dinner in April. Forty-four calls were reported. The mystery package went to Sally Sawyer. National President Gail Butterfield told of trips she has taken and ones coming up, also spoke of conventions; both department and national, which will be held in Maine this year.

Department President Mary Jones spoke also of conventions. The next meeting will be March 8 with a silent auction, money to go toward the granddaughters' breakfast. Valentines were brought to be sent to veterans. It was noted that the V.A. Clinic at Rumford is in need of a wheelchair, a two-drawer filing cabinet and a dictionary. It was thought maybe we could help with some of these. If anyone has any of these items to donate it would be helpful. You may let Sally Sawyer or Alice Hoyt know. Heather Jordan filled in as president.

The Bryant Pond Hour on Channel IV TV is Thursday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 9 a.m. Good News Club is on Tuesdays at 6 to 7:15 p.m.; all school-age children are welcome. It is held at the Baptist Church Annex.

If you are interested in the Boston Flower Show trip for March 20, call Carolyn Lowe at 674-2782, Lola Crockett at 824-2228 or JoAnn Crockett at 824-3288.

Guests of Barbara Hathaway Sunday were Michael and Penny Hathaway, Susan and Bruce Glines, Linda, Sara and Rachel Stowell. They celebrated Mike's birthday.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Bryce Yates.

Edith Hathaway visited her sister, Beatrice Farnum, one afternoon.

Curator Larry Billings has given the historical society several items.

One is an oil painting of the Nubble Lighthouse, a wonderful Maine painting. Since the society already has a handsome print of the Portland Headlight, this painting completes the museum's art collection very effectively. He has also given a pair of gifts for its 20th year and the year 2000. They are models of a deer and a fish, typical of nature in Maine, as well as hunting and fishing. He has put them on his desk in the museum. Also, they received two pieces of rare China, an Indian artifact, some mineral specimens, a book on the Civil War and a piece of pink

depression glass and a nice piece of China from occupied Japan.

North Newry



by Gil Seeley

Ras Bachelder is now back home after spending one week in the Stephens Memorial Hospital in

Norway where he was going through tests, etc. Let's hope it was beneficial.

Last Sunday, Feb. 14, was St. Valentine's Day, celebrated usually by sending of cards or other gifts. Well, do you know who St. Valentine was? He was a bishop of Rome during the third century. He possessed a remarkable gift of eloquence. In other words, he had the gift of being able to persuade people to his way of thinking. And, he was successful in converting the Pagans Romans to Christianity. But he incurred the displeasure of the Emperor, and was put to death Feb. 14, A.D. 270. When the Saint's name came to be placed in the calendar, his name was given to the day of his death. He had nothing to do with the physical love, only the spiritual love. But we celebrate his day because of the gift of persuasion. Like, "Will you be my Valentine?" etc., "Can I persuade you to be my Valentine?"

My car was in a deep freeze, all the month of January. Now it's parked on a skating rink. "In all things, it is better to hope than to despair."

The Newry Mothers Club had a meeting on Feb. 8, with only four members present. The club will send birthday greetings to Karlene Bachelder on the 27th and also a get-well card to Ras; hope you're feeling better.

The club has also donated \$50 to the Oxford County Association of Retarded Children's Ride-in.

There was a discussion on having a spaghetti or baked bean supper in March.

Special announcements: The club is having a bake sale at the IGA in Bethel on Feb. 27 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

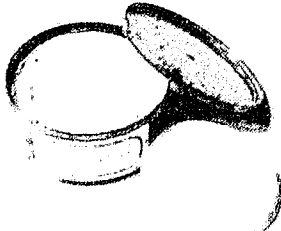
The Newry Mothers Club is looking for new members to keep a much needed, well-organized club alive. Anyone interested in joining, please call Laura at 824-2349 or Patty at 824-2860. Thank you.

Anyone is welcome to join, you don't need to be a mother.

Our next meeting will be on March 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Newry Town Building.

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Greenwood City



by Colista Morgan

The sun has turned toward the pole of the horizon. The days are lengthening and the cold is strengthening. It's winter, we know.

"Climb to the hilltop and look across the winter valley to the windows of the mountains, lovely and savage, as I have so many times on my snowshoes in the past. In the groves of hemlocks and beneath the pines one can feel the quiet acceptance of the winter. Earth's patience is everywhere. The sounds are in keeping with the spirit of winter."

"I usually follow a snowmobile trail up this side of Noyes Mountain for it is too hard traveling on snowshoes for me among the trees. Here in this section I saw the autumn die beautifully, with a shiver of quaking aspens, and days and nights of magic. Now note the winter contrasts; snow over the solid base, sculpturing the masses of undercut, twisted ridges, and sweeping curves. Sunlight licks across the surface and every shadow clasps an undertone of piercing blue, most beautiful of all colors of winter. Whatever its tone, it's both tender and delicate and I'm reminded of certain blues of flowers."

"The rising hills at my left seem immensely solid and settled. I passed a hollow tree and so thought of the raccoon maybe asleep within."

"Beneath the hemlocks, prospecting and frisking, their tails twitching, heads lowered, were two squirrels. Then from overhead down dropped a jay; so red fur and blue feathers were all in company. Among the trees it's never as cold as in the open, so I followed the trail far beyond the distance I had planned to do. At this point I heard the sound of my spring, running its delicate tremble under the ice at the overflow."

"I could now see Overset Mountain over the wooded hills. Below were the ledges. Now I came home through the air tingly cold, near sunset time when dusk drops quickly. A rose

glow tipped the mountains across the pond. Glory in sunset color lingered in the sky above the mountains' rim."

I had a surprise visit from my nephew and his wife on Sunday. They came from North Haven, off Rockland, and drove here. It was nice to see them.

I had a letter from my neighbors, in Florida. They are enjoying their stay there.

On Sunday I was the only visitor at the farm. I never knew it to happen that way before. Fay is always prepared for two or fifteen. Those absent were either ill or away.

My driveway is most clear of ice. I walked it this week.

Bradley Payne has gained some but isn't able to walk much yet. His mother visited him on Sunday.

Dot Betts had visitors over the weekend.

Laurie Curtis of Farmington visited Rena Curtis over the weekend.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing

To anyone who is wondering where my news has been for the last two weeks, I want to say that I've been in the hospital for an operation on my left carotid neck artery. Even though my stay was short I didn't feel up to doing much for a while. I am now almost better and glad it's over.

I want to thank all the ones who brought us supper for a few days and gave me moral support. I especially want to thank my "sisters," Joan Poland and Tommy Poland, who stayed with me after I came home, Carol Corriveau for the pot roast with all the fixings, and for the pussy willows. Everything is much appreciated and won't be soon forgotten.

Sympathy goes out to the young McKenney boy's family and schoolmates, who died recently in a fire. It is so sad to see something like this happen.

Kellie and Brad Record and Sadie paid us a visit one night after I came home. Sadie loves to come and plague our cat. Sadie is an English sheep dog and a real pleasure to have around.

My sisters, Dotte Critser of Ari-

zona and Evelyn Dunn of Florida, made several calls to me while I was recuperating.

Much thanks to my brother, Phelps Poland, for delivering my mail to me each day.

Also, thanks to my husband who took over everything for a while, doing all the chores after he'd worked all day.

Congratulations to our grandson, Doug Wing, for making the dean's list at Springfield College in Massachusetts. He had a 3.67 average. We're very proud of him.

Brandy Poland has been accepted to U of M in Gorham. Also, Emily Phillips has been accepted to a college of her choice. Congratulations to both.

Jenny Record has moved to Charleston, S.C., for a while. Sorry I haven't put the February birthdays in before now, but congratulations to all the following: David Brown, Bailey Davis, Tracy Grover, Ryan Hathaway, Joanne Korhonen, Dennis Poland, JoAnna Poland, Sherri Poland, Jamie Monzo, Andrew Merrill, Lani Bertrum, Keith Hadley, JoAnn Appleby, Burna Wilson, Melody Hadley and Zachery Wilday. Happy Anniversary to Walter and JoAnn Appleby, Glendon and Martha Hadley and Keith and Darlene Hadley.

Larry Billings, curator of the Woodstock Historical Society, reports that Jean Blanchard has given the museum a giant photo of her lake house and Mann's Mill log yard. Larry Billings has given models of a fish and a deer as gifts for the society's 20th year and the

year 2000.

Quote of the week: "I've learned that a smile and a thank you won't cost you a dime. But not doing either may cost you later."

Upton



by Eleanor LeCombe

I am really trying hard to bring spring into my home early this year. With several pots of soil placed in strategic spots, I hope to have pots of flowering bulbs glowing with color in my house by St. Patrick's Day. My track record is poor. I've done this before with marginal results. The Christmas gift amaryllis was beautiful, but one night I was awakened by a dull thud in the kitchen. After many anxious minutes of wondering what this questionable sound was, I sneaked out in the dark, tripping on rugs and my big feet to find the offending creature. It was my ungainly 22-inch tall amaryllis, tipped over from its top-heaviness. No worry about the other bulbs that I planted, they have either died in the soil, or they will bloom in May when "who cares" about indoor blooms. If at first you don't succeed, try, try again is my motto.

Just a few words in respect to the passing of King Hussein of Jordan. The whole world respected this man. Let us hope many will follow his just example in the governing of

even the smallest places in the world.

The School Board met on Feb. 9. Bus schedules have been changed and the parents have been notified in writing by SAD44. The afternoon run will be later, but the children involved will have supervised time to do their homework or receive extra help where needed. The 1999-2000 budget was discussed and prepared for the March Town Meeting. The Board of Selectmen also met on the 9th of February.

Marie Aaron informs us that Thursday was "Multicultural Day." The activity took place in the gym with each class representing a country. The children dressed according to country and gave presentations on the customs taking place there. Kindergarten did Australia, grade one did France, grade two did Africa and our country. School vacation is this week, so "think snow" for the kids and "Angus, King of the Mountain" -- that great edifice in Bethel. Keep your fingers crossed, it hasn't rained yet.

Congratulations to Michelle and Steve Lutz, who became the proud parents of Jesse David on Feb. 9. He weighed in at a whopping 8 1/2 pounds. Michelle Goodrum Lutz was a 1982 graduate of Telstar and a 1984 graduate of New Hampshire Technical College in Berlin. The proud grandparents are Mae

Goodrum and Joan and David Lutz.

We offer sympathy to the family of Isabelle Bryant, who died in Waterville last week. She was a wonderful school teacher. She was in her 96th year and very active in Magalloway and Errol until a few years ago. Isabelle and her late husband, Bill Bryant, operated camps in Magalloway. She will be missed by many people.

The lady cardinal has not returned to my feeder, but my friend still sees "blue cardinals" in the crabapple tree. He does not partake of the spirits so he must be color blind, or could it be "snowblind"? I had a call from the Melzars on the Andover side of the East "B" Hill road. They feed many birds and have two pair of cardinals. Some people have all the luck.

Four partridges were spotted on the top of the birch trees next to the Town Office. One flew across the road and collided with a logging truck. The poor bird didn't survive, and inspection found the crop filled with tiny birch cones and cranberries. The buds up here are still too small for much nourishment I guess. I think the poor bird earned "Bird of the Week" the hard way.

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It's great to sell property at a profit, but it's not so great to pay taxes on that profit. One way to reduce the impact of capital gains taxes is by selling your real estate or personal property in installments. You simply spread the sale -- and the resulting capital gains taxes -- over more than one year. An installment sale, according to the Internal Revenue Service, is a sale where you receive at least one payment after the close of the tax year in which the sale is made. Using this method, you report a prorated gain on the sale as payments are received. That way you're taxed on only part of the proceeds in each year.

But it pays to be careful: installment sale reporting carries some restrictions. For example, you can't use the installment method to report gains from the sale of stocks or securities traded on established securities markets. If you're a dealer in the business of selling real estate or personal property, you can't use this method for reporting dispositions of business inventory. And you can't use the installment method to report losses.

In addition, you generally shouldn't use the installment method for reporting gains if you expect your income to rise substantially in the coming year's. That's because reporting a portion of your capital gain could push you into a high tax bracket in these future years, offsetting the advantage of spreading out the gains. Also, if in the year of the sale you have capital losses that will offset the gain -- losses that you don't expect to have in coming years -- it might be a good idea to report the entire capital gain in one year.

If you think installment sale reporting might make sense for you, give us a call. We're here to help.

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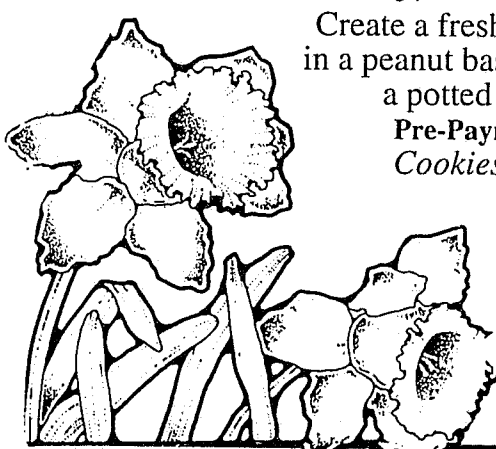
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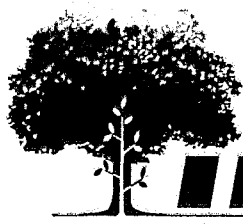
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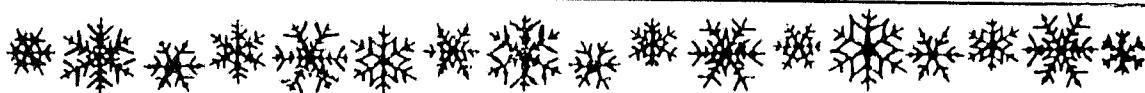
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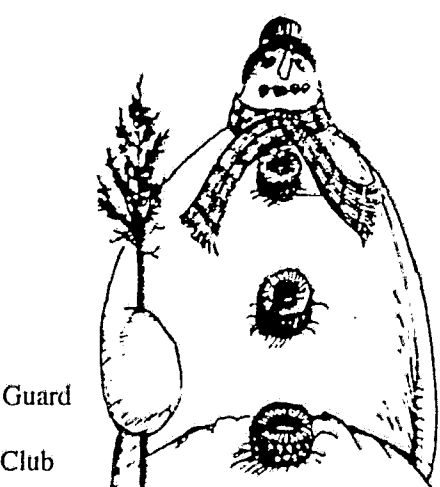
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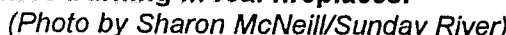
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We apologize to anyone we have inadvertently left off this list...Thank you very much!!!!



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Jack and Lucy Nordahl were at The Birches at Moosehead Lake from Jan. 31 to Feb. 7. They went

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for cross-country skiing, Mikie was able to go with them. They said there wasn't as much snow as here. Dana and Millie Jackson met Bill and Debbie Eldredge at Barjo's in Norway on Feb. 12 for dinner. Later they visited Mary Smith and Arlene Farwell.

Ellen Hastings Franklin's parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Franklin of Minneola, Texas, visited Sonny and Bettyann Hastings recently. Mr. and Mrs. George Gamble and Florence Hastings had dinner with them one night and Clint Schaum showed them a view of East Bethel from his home.

There have been some nice, sunny days recently. The ice and snow are slowly going.

East Stoneham

by Eleanor Nelson
Congratulations go out to Faith Barker who was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Colby College in Waterville. She was home recently for a long weekend following the January term there.

Joel Barker participated in the District 11 Musical Festival in Yarmouth on Saturday. He auditioned and was selected to play trumpet in the band at the festival. Joel is in the eighth grade at Molly Ockett Middle School.

Our sympathy and prayers go out to the family of Dennis McAllister of North Waterford, who died Saturday, Feb. 6. He is another one who will be greatly missed.

Peter Fox fell, last weekend, on the ice and broke his arm and will be unable to work for a while. We hope it isn't too painful, Pete, and will soon heal okay.

Twelve members of the Stoneham Knight Riders met on Tuesday evening at the Stoneham Community Room at the Fire Station. Much discussion and plans were made for the public supper on Feb. 13 there. Plans were also formulated for the snowmobile parade on Feb. 14 at the Brad Nelson field beside Dwight Grover's home, and the poker rally to follow starting from the Club House. It was also mentioned that seven members of the club attended the regional meeting in Fryeburg along with other members of different snowmobile clubs in the adjoining area.

A special public hearing was held recently to discuss limiting the use of personal watercraft (jet skis) on Stoneham's lakes and ponds. Another matter was discussed, which was about the town's salt and sand shed. This will all come up at the Stoneham Town Meeting in March.

Six members of the Past Chief's Club met for a dinner and meeting at the home of Arlene Merrill recently.

Four adults and five boys from Boy Scout Troop 155 went to Sugarloaf and had some good skiing on Feb. 7. The boys are working on their sled skills for the Klondike Derby in Raymond for Feb. 20. There will be fly tying, pancake flipping and all sorts of fun stuff.

Jake Fillebrown was one of the winners in the Pinewood Derby, which was held at the New Suncook School on Jan. 23. This was Cub Scout Pack 155.

I thank all you people who get news to me. It helps a lot.

Heather Thompson Woolard and husband Mark and three-year-old daughter Lindsey from England recently visited her parents, Lani and David Thompson, for three weeks.

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Locke Mills

by Lorraine Larson
What a gorgeous spring-like day we are having. Andy and I and Gerry Shimamura visited

Andy's cousins, Ellie and Fred Peterson, last Tuesday in Lewiston and Ellie mentioned how the trees outside their house were covered with buds that usually weren't there until April. She was wondering what would happen if our winter suddenly turned into winter for a while and interrupted their growing cycle. I guess we either hope everything stays warm or if it doesn't that it won't do any harm. It really seems as if the seasons are much more unpredictable now than they used to be, or I was so busy back then I didn't notice.

It has been quite a while since Poochie has been out loose; so, when someone came to our door one day last week, Andy forgot that J-P was in the house and opened the door. In a flash, out Poochie went. He may have quieted down a lot, but he wasn't going to miss that opportunity. For about two hours he wandered around the knoll and kept just out of our reach. At least this time he did not go too far and when it got dark he appeared at the door to be let in. He knew he had done something wrong, as he had his tail down, but this time, taking suggestions from the Animal Channel, I ignored him. Since then we have had a few training sessions on the word "come." Who knows, maybe one can teach an old dog new tricks.

I have been thinking about how many people have been so kind to me and my family, or perhaps one should say families, seeing as I extended mine, over the years. The

list kept growing and growing. You who read this probably have a list of your own. So when we read about all the terrible things that some people do to people, maybe we ought to reflect on our list and maybe we ought to give someone on it a call or write a note. I find that truly my blessings outnumber my troubles every time.

The other day I happened to look in my fish tank and there were eight little baby guppies swimming around. Unfortunately most of them probably won't live or maybe fortunately, or they would outgrow the tank. How many there are now is hard to say since they mostly keep out of sight. I haven't noticed that the parents bother them but my neons probably would if they got the opportunity. Anyway, I happened to look at just the right time, right after they were born, to see them. I really enjoyed seeing them as they are no bigger than a dot. Sometimes fish keeping has its rewards.

West Bethel

by Karen Jordan
Bethel is now on the map. We can claim to have the World's Tallest Snowman.

Men and women have sacrificed and worked many tedious hours to pile snow higher than anyone would have thought possible. Thanks to the brilliance of the architect, Jim Sysko. And what is all of this for? Fun. This is all for fun and publicity. Bethel will have her 15 minutes, then the flame will die to a slow burn and we can get back to living. I must admit it has been exciting watching the process -- and the Bethel Station has never looked better.

The town of Bethel should plan a great big "Mud" festival over there come mud season. We could attract publicity for having the world's biggest mud pie or dig a canal and make a mud pyramid. My favorite would be mud baths -- we could get those tourists up here during our slowest season and convince 'em that Bethel's mud will cure 'em. I ate a bunch when I was growing up and there's nothing wrong with that. My Grandmother Eva always said, "You've gotta eat a peck of dirt before you die." And I guess I took it to heart.

With an honest to goodness "Mud Season" we could make people believe that this is a four-season vacationland. Then we can be plagued by the masses who will come to Bethel in droves and raise taxes and bring all the baggage of the cities with them. We can cater to their every need and watch them change our little hamlet. I saw Governor King's state of the state speech last month and thought that he had watched too many stand-up comedians to be my governor. Do we want Maine to become entertainment for the masses? I don't.

And speaking of being on the map, Bethel can claim to have "weekend" and "holiday" Road Rage. Last night, as I was driving home from work, I merged in front of a van in a 35-mph speed zone, thinking he was a safe distance behind me. This man was outraged that I got in front of him, as he was traveling at about 55 mph in that 35-mph area. His beeping horn cut through the silence, and I looked in my rear view mirror to see what all the commotion was about and saw a very angry driver, with both hands off the steering wheel, making motions toward his brain area.

There were people in the back seat and the driver was waving both hands as if to say, "What are you doing going the speed limit -- you are screwing up my ability to speed

through your pathetic town." He was livid but I held my speed to exactly the posted limit and drove on as though he was not there. He followed me through the Steam Mill until I reached Robinson Hill. There I pulled into the slower lane and watched as he passed me with hands and mouth flying and horn beeping. I'm not sure but I think his passengers were enjoying the scenic mountain views of Tumbledown and Old Speck as they passed by. And, by the way, the plates were from Vermont.

Service Notes:



AIRMAN BRENT LAKE

Air Force Airman Brent Lake has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Tex.

Lake is the son of Albert and Crystal Lake of Locke Mills. He is a 1998 graduate of Telstar High School.

SPEC. AMANDA L. YOHNKE

Amanda L. Yohnke has been promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of specialist.

She is the daughter of Doveen and Jean Chartier of Andover, and is a 1996 graduate of Mountain Valley High School.

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TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL 1998-99 VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL SANDY ANDY CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM--Front: Josh Appleby, Ian Andrews, Matt Hamel, Kane Olson, Kinsey Durgin, T.J. O'Connor (asst. mgr). Back: David Barton (mgr.), Jeremy Benson, Wade Osgood, Gavin Palmer, Jordi Walker, Jon Hammond, coach Tim O'Connor.

TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL 1998-99 J.V. BOYS' BASKETBALL--Front: Brock Merrill, Kurt Wight, Carl Olson, Casey Fleet, Jason Tyler, Doug Swan. Back: Josh Longway, Matt McDonnell, Ryan Hathaway, August Reiss, Terry Collins, coach Adam Chamberlain.



TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL 1998-99 VARSITY GIRLS' BASKETBALL--Front: Mandy Gilbert, Sheri Curley, Katie Caddigan, Lauren Hart, Sasha Fritz, Amanda Waterhouse, Laura Pivin. Back: coach Rachel Read, Samantha Ladd (mgr.), Elizabeth Reed, Amanda Gilbert, Chelsi Noyes, Amanda Dunham, Tiffany O'Donnell, Jen Taylor (mgr.).



TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL 1998-99 J.V. GIRLS' BASKETBALL--Front: Lacy McCabe, Sheena Hunt, Ashley Stambolis, Kayla Cole, Sarah Katavolas, Lacey Gammon, Sarah Farnum. Back: Jen Taylor (mgr.), Allcia Hebert, Stephanie Bennett, Jennie Cox, Erin Farrington, BethAnne Haines, Samantha Ladd (mgr.), coach Mary Richardson.

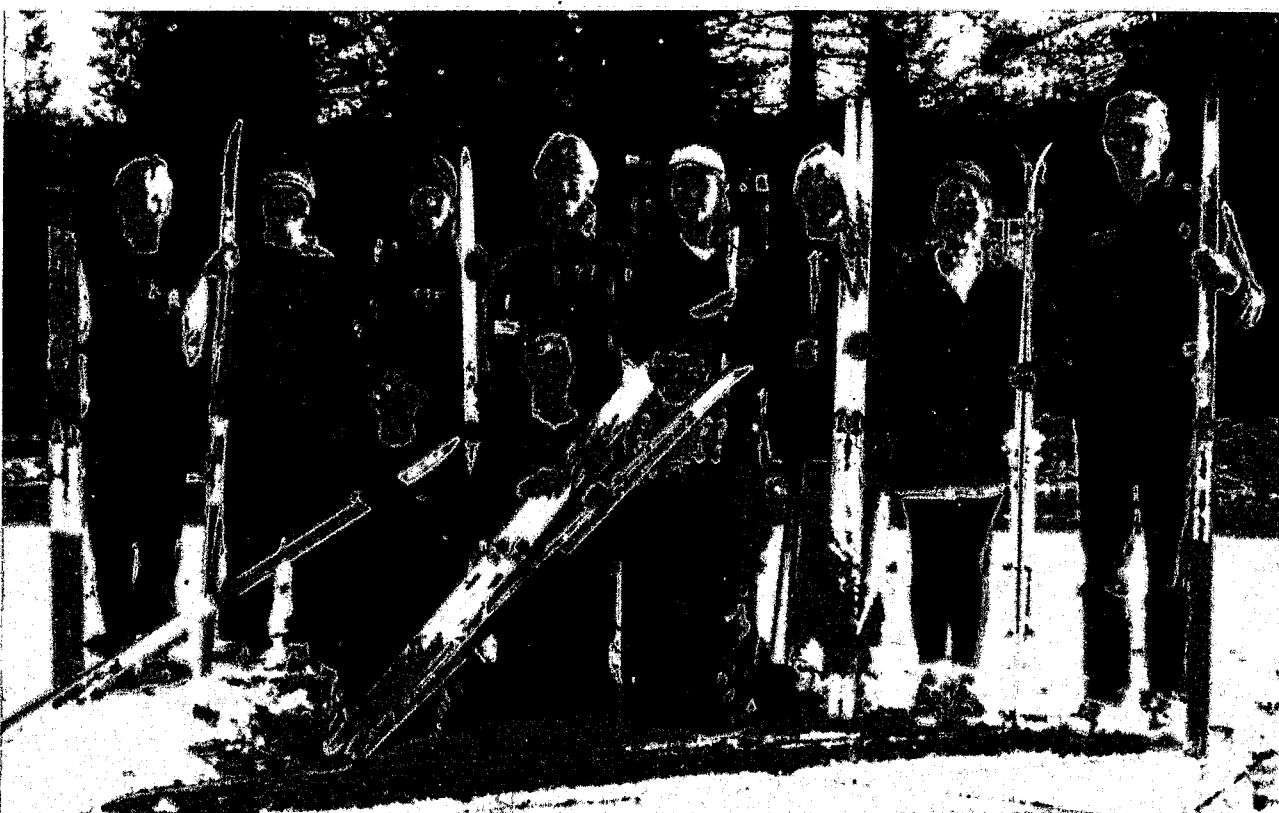


TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL 1998-99 ALPINE SKIING--Front: Andy Aloisio, Anthony Delullo, Jon Howe, Chris Hooper, Anthony Liberti, Ray Crockett, coach Tim Kavanaugh. Second row: Mike Brown, Dan Koris, Tom Scotti, T.J. Savage, Andrew Raymond, Jordan Bennett, Crystal Mills, Frank Emerson. Center: Justin Donnaruma, Kevin Zinchuk. Third row: Finn Donovan, Kaylee Smith, Jessica James, Justine Carver, Billy Marshall, Travis Brooks, Jake Largess, Ryan Trefethen, David Abarro, Heather Zimmerman. Back: coach Cindy Brown, Kristina Koskela, Brittany Howe, Santana Wilson, Adam Largess, Andy Lowe, Ashley Oliver, Danny Morgan, Greg Bove, Jessica Adams.



TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL 1998-99 CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING--Front: Ben Shimamura, Craig Angevine, Glen Carver. Back: John Reuter, Caitlin Kennett, Shannon Fyrberg, Brian Zinchuk, Sarah Gamble, Freddy Bailey, Elizabeth Witt, coach Jim Reuter.

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Sports

High School Girls' X-C Skiing

State Class A Championships, 5k freestyle: OHHS 31, Leavitt 32, Mt. Blue 37, Fort Kent 84, Caribou 106, Presque Isle 124, Mountain Valley 150, Hampden 180, Lewiston 183, ELHS 185, Skowhegan 215, Telstar 219, Bangor 250, Nokomis 257, Cony 264; Feb. 15--Telstar's Erica Gundersen finished 30th, Kim Tibbetts 54th and Shonna Young 69th in a race at Telstar.

High School Boys' X-C Skiing

State Class A Championships, 5k freestyle: OHHS 24, Mt. Blue 36, Fort Kent 54, ELHS 92, Leavitt 94, Caribou 101, Mountain Valley 116, Lewiston 136, Hampden 165, Cony 172, Presque Isle 201, Skowhegan 221, Telstar 238, Brewer 328, Nokomis 330; Feb. 15--Telstar's Colin Reuter finished 26th, Per Sandstrom 58th, Jared Howe 79th and Jay Hanscom 80th in a race at Telstar.

High School Girls' Alpine Skiing

State Class A Championships, slalom: Mt. Blue 43, Leavitt 61, OHHS 66, ELHS 66, Telstar 75, Mountain Valley 117, Fort Kent 127, Hampden 133, Marshwood 151, Presque Isle 168, Skowhegan 173; Feb. 16--Telstar's Stephanie Vaughan won a 75-skier race at Sunday River. Becky LaVallee finished third, Gail Aloisio was 30th, Lacy Phillips 41st and Erin Smith 45th.

State Class A Championships, Giant slalom: Telstar 45, ELHS 49, Mt. Blue 56, OHHS 74, Leavitt 113, Skowhegan 121, Presque Isle 125, Hampden 149, Fort Kent 152, Mountain Valley 156, Marshwood 160, Lewiston 200, Bangor, Caribou, Cony, Nokomis, Windham no score; Feb. 15--Telstar's Stephanie Vaughan won a 76-skier race at Sunday River to lead the Rebels to the state giant slalom title. Becky LaVallee took third, and Malinda Gilbert and Lacy Phillips finished 17th and 24th, respectively.

MAISAD Championship, slalom: Gould 19, Kents Hill 23, Hebron no score; Feb. 12--Gould's Megan Flaherty took second and Catherine Dudley third in a race at Sunday River. Sarah Felton was fifth and Emily Bearse ninth.

MAISAD Championship, giant slalom: Gould 16, Kents Hill 22, Hebron no score; Gould's Megan Flaherty took first and Catherine Dudley fifth. Emily Bearse and Sarah Felton finished 4-5-6 in a race at Sunday River.

Slalom: ELHS 18, Telstar 29, Leavitt 37, MVHS 59; Feb. 11--Telstar's Becky LaVallee, Gail Aloisio and Malinda Gilbert finished 4-5-6 and Erin Smith was 14th in a 25-skier race at Sunday River.

NEPSAC Championships; Feb. 10--Gould's women's team took first place in last week's New England Prep School Alpine Championships at Bromley, Vt. in slalom Caroline Riss placed first; Katie Davison, seventh; Janka Husarova, 10th; and Jodi Curry, 12th. Riss took second place in the women's GS race, followed by Davison in fourth place; Curry, sixth; Husarova, ninth; and Erin Cianchette, 15th.

High School Boys' Alpine Skiing

State Class A Championships, slalom: ELHS 21, Mt. Blue 62, Fort Kent 86, Marshwood 106, Mountain Valley 108, Leavitt 111, Skowhegan 131, Presque Isle 138, OHHS 179, Lewiston 183, Nokomis 195, Telstar no score; Feb. 16--Telstar's Sam Sayen placed third and Jay Aloisio 27th in a 90-skier race at Sunday River.

State Class A Championships, Giant slalom: ELHS 23, Mountain Valley 49, Mt. Blue 79, Fort Kent 92, Leavitt 93, Telstar 110, Presque Isle 130, Hampden 136, Marshwood 139, OHHS 163, Lewiston 165, Skowhegan 185, Nokomis 204, Bangor, Brewer, Caribou, Cheverus, Cony, Deering, Thornton no score; Feb. 15--Telstar's Chris Vaughan finished eighth and Jay Aloisio 14th as the Rebels placed sixth in an 88-skier race at Sunday River. Justin Wight was 37th and Seth Pitcher 64th.

MAISAD Championship, slalom: Kents Hill 20, Gould 30, Bridgton 47, Hebron no score; Feb. 12--Gould's Brent Grygiel was third and Chris Gould fifth in a race at Sunday River. Charlie Hitch placed seventh and Brian Broderick 15th.

MAISAD Championship, giant slalom: Kents Hill 16, Gould 34, Hebron 37, Bridgton no score; Feb. 12--Gould's Chris Gould was second, Brian Broderick 11th, Gus Levy 14th and Tristen Fischer 15th in a race at Sunday River.

Slalom: Leavitt 18, ELHS 23, MVHS 41, Telstar no score; Feb. 11--Telstar's Jay Aloisio, Seth Howe and Seth Pitcher finished 11th, 16th and 18th, respectively, in a 40-skier race at Sunday River.

NEPSAC Championships; Feb. 10--Gould's men's team took first place in the New England Prep School Alpine Championships in Bromley, Vt. In slalom, Noah Siebeck-Smith took first place and Kristian Knights took second. Ben Drummond finished fifth; Orlin Watson, 15th; and James Wilcox, 17th. Knights placed first in the GS, followed by Siebeck-Smith, fourth; Drummond, sixth; Wilcox, seventh; and Watson, 14th.

Varsity Ski Jumping

Lakes Region Championships; Feb. 11--Gould jumper Matt Macko finished first in individual results at the Lakes Region Ski Jumping Championships, held last Thursday, while teammate Eric Cheney took fourth place. The Gould team finished third, behind teams from Proctor Academy and Holderness School.

Middle School Boys' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 35, Tripp 31; Feb. 11--Wade Osgood scored 20 points to lead the Rebels to the Sandy Andy Championship. Telstar finishes the season with an 18-2 record.

Middle School Boys' Alpine Skiing

Class A State Championships, slalom; Feb. 13: Telstar's Travis Brooks took first and Jake Largess second in a race at Titcomb Mt. Anthony Liberti was 10th and Anthony Deulio 20th. The combined

team score for alpine and cross-country placed Telstar second overall in a field of eight teams.

Class A State Championships giant slalom: Titcomb 31, Mountain Valley 36, Telstar 43, Auburn 84, Maranacook 95, Tripp 113, Penobscot Valley 136, Oxford Hills 137, Spruce Mt. 150; Feb. 10--Telstar's Travis Brooks placed second, Jake Largess fourth and Adam Largess eighth in a race at Black Mt.

Middle School Girls' Alpine Skiing

Class A State Championships, slalom; Feb. 13: Telstar's Jessica Adams was 16th and Ashley Oliver 20th in a race at Black Mt. The combined team score for alpine and cross-country placed Telstar fifth overall in a field of eight teams.

Class A State Championships giant slalom: Titcomb 50, Mountain Valley 53, Tripp 64, Oxford Hills 71, Spruce 81, Maranacook 84, Telstar 93, Auburn 128, Skowhegan 133; Feb. 10--Telstar's Maura Smith was 16th and Jessica Adams 18th in a race at Black Mt.

Middle School Boys' X-C Skiing

Class A State Championships, overall nordic: Titcomb 51, Maranacook 84, Telstar 94, Mountain Valley 96, Oxford Hills 207, Tripp 254, Spruce 284, Auburn 337; Feb. 10, 13--Telstar's John Reuter finished second and Brian Zinchuk fourth in a race at Titcomb Mt. Freddy Bailey was 16th, Craig Angevine 22nd, Glen Carver 37th, and Ben Shimamura 45th. The combined team score for alpine and cross-country placed Telstar second overall in a field of eight teams.

Class A State Championships freestyle: Titcomb 28, Maranacook 40, Mountain Valley 48, Telstar 50, Oxford Hills 102, Spruce 126, Tripp 145, Auburn 165; Feb. 10--Telstar's Brian Zinchuk placed second, John Reuter fifth and Freddy Bailey 15th in a race at Black Mt. Craig Angevine was 28th and Glen Carver 45th.

Middle School Girls' X-C Skiing

Class A State Championships, overall nordic: Auburn 77, Titcomb 77, Mountain Valley 117, Spruce 120, Tripp 130, Telstar 165, Oxford Hills 217, Maranacook 257; Feb. 10, 13--Telstar's Sarah Gamble finished eighth and Shannon Fyrberg 11th in a classical race at Titcomb Mt. Elizabeth Witt was 29th and Caitlin Kennett 26th. The combined team score for alpine and cross-country placed Telstar fifth overall in a field of eight teams.

Class A State Championships freestyle: Auburn 34, Titcomb 36, Spruce 51, Mountain Valley 61, Tripp 71, Telstar 81, Oxford Hills 106, Maranacook 136; Feb. 10--Telstar's Sarah Gamble finished fourth and Shannon Fyrberg was 18th in a race at Black Mt. Heather Zimmerman was 27th, Elizabeth Witt was 32nd, Caitlin Kennett 42nd.

USSA Alpine Skiing

Junior Olympic qualifier slalom; Feb. 14--Gould's Leo Menard and Zeke Davison finished 1-2 and Christian Horstman was fourth in the JIII men's age group at Black Mt. Kyle Trinward was 14th. In the JIV group, Jake Largess and Eric Trinward finished 1-2, and Adam Largess was sixth. Adora Burke placed third for the women, and Erin Curry finished seventh.

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Public Supper first Saturday of each month 5:30 p.m. at Bethel United Methodist Church.

Free Snowshoe Walk Series, Feb. 20, March 13 and March 31, sponsored by True North Adventureware. Walks begin in parking lot of Philbrook Place, Main Street, Bethel. The Feb 20 walk (begin 9 a.m.) is an introduction (Tubbs snowshoes available); March 13 walk (begin 9 a.m.) more ambitious; March 31, "Once in a Blue Moon" will begin at 8 p.m. For more information, contact Jonathan Goldberg at 824-2201 or 824-3459.

Thru Feb. 20--Stoneham Community Events Committee's first Winter Carnival with snowmachine events, board games, bake-off, snowshoe race, ice skating, masquerade ball, and much more.

Thursday, Feb. 18, 7 p.m.--Sunday River Watershed Community Group meeting at Newry Town Hall. Interested landowners, businesses and organizations in the Sunday River area encouraged to attend. For more information, call Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District (743-5789).

Friday, Feb. 19, 7 to 9 p.m.--North Country Chapter of the Audubon Society of N.H. monthly program will feature a video on "Bird Habitat." Free. Public invited. For information call (603) 752-1924 or (603) 449-1376.

Bethel's "World's Largest Snowman" -- "Angus, King of the Mountain" -- dedication and celebration, 10 a.m. to noon, in parking lot behind Casablanca Cinema on Cross Street. Gov. Angus King will give an address at 11 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 20, 7 p.m.-- Bill Shontz, "Song for Kids" will be featured in the North and South Ballroom of the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River Ski Resort, sponsored by Sunday River's Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series. Tickets: advance for adults, \$5; children under 12, \$3; at door \$5 and \$7. For more information, call 824-3575.

The Northern Forest Heritage Park, 961 Main Street, Berlin, N.H., will present a special Blacksmith Workshop with Kenneth Schwarz, journeyman/supervisor at their blackshop -- first session 8:30 to 12 noon, lunch from 12 to 1 p.m., second session 1:30 to 4 p.m. Fee: \$6 (lunch included). Reservations required. Please call (603) 752-7202 by Feb. 17. Space limited.

North Country Chapter of the Audubon Society of N.H. field trip along Androscoggin River. Meet at McDonald's in Gorham, N.H. at 10 a.m. Free. Public invited. For information call (603) 752-1924.

Sunday, Feb. 21, SAD44 Community Free Ski Day at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Ellis River Riders Sleigh Rally at Antil's Farm, Route 108, Peru, starting at 10 a.m. Hot foods, sleigh rides, pony rides. Sleigh competitions begin at 1 p.m.

Finnish-American Heritage Society, West Paris, monthly meeting at 2 p.m. Program: Digital Television by Jay Martin.

Wednesday, Feb. 24, 7 p.m.--Michael Menes, "Physical Theater and Comedy," sponsored by Sunday River's Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series, will be featured at the Grand Ballroom of the Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Tickets: children 12 and under, \$3; adults, \$5 and at door \$5 and \$7. For information call 824-3575.

Thursday, Feb. 25, 6:30 p.m.--Friends of Telstar Middle School meeting.

Finders/Seekers is sponsoring a free child care provider training at Child Development Services, 377 Main Street, Lewiston. To register, call Finders/Seekers at (800) 543-7008.

Saturday, Feb. 27, Lincoln Day Dinner, sponsored by Oxford County Republican Committee at the Bethel Inn with social hour at 5:30 p.m. and buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m. Guest speakers, silent auction, entertainment. Tickets: \$25 per person or \$45 for couple. Make checks payable to Oxford County Republican Committee, attach names of guests, and mail to Nancy Schlieper, P.O. Box 159, Newry, ME 04261-0159. No tickets will be sold at door. For more information call Becky Kendall at 824-3196.

Benefit Dance for Oxford Hills Parent Awareness (serving children with special needs), 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., at Locke Mills American Legion Hall, with music by the Impalas. BYOB. Tickets: \$8 per person. For tickets, call Joan Kimball at 824-3191.

Bake Sale at Bethel IGA from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., sponsored by Newry Mothers Club.

Sunday, Feb. 28, 1 to 4 p.m.--Card Party at Jackson-Silver American Legion Post, Locke Mills. Refreshments, door prizes. Cost: \$5. Proceeds for Special Olympics.

Monday, March 1, 10 a.m.--Mountain View Knitters meeting at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Route 5, Fryeburg. New members always welcome. For more information, call Mrs. Snow at (207) 846-9381 or Mrs. Hopper at (603) 383-9702.

Newry Mothers Club meeting at 7:30 p.m., Newry Town Building. Anyone welcome to attend.

Senior Citizens group dinner, given by Gould Academy, 5:30 p.m. at Ordway Hall. No RSVP needed.

March 1, 2, 3, 1 to 3 p.m.--Senior Citizens Computer Literacy Workshop, Hanscom Hall, Gould Academy. Internet surfing and basic troubleshooting, 14 spaces per day. RSVP by calling Charlie Hitch at 824-7857 or e-mail at hitchc@gouldacademy.org and include name, phone number and date and time of workshop.

Tuesday, March 9, 6:30 p.m.--Telstar Alumni Association meeting at Telstar Library.

Wednesday, March 10, 11 a.m.--Bethel Senior Citizens meeting and dinner at the Bethel Methodist Church.

Monday, March 15, seventh annual Bethel Area Mountain Madness Alpine Derby at Sunday River Ski Resort. For more information call 824-2282.

Saturday, March 20--Maine Handicapped Skiing 14th annual Ski-A-Thon.

Ninth annual Women's Health Conference, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at Crescent Park School, sponsored by the Bethel Family Health Center, SAD44 Adult Education, Swift River Health Care and Western Maine OBGYN. Workshop sessions, exhibits, demonstrations and healthy lunch. Registration is \$30, with sliding fee scale available. Details including brochure, available from SAD44 Adult Education (824-2780).

Boston Flower Show Trip. Cost: \$40. For more information, call Carolyn Lowe (674-2782), JoAnn Crockett (824-3288) or Lola Crockett (824-2228).

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Story hour for preschoolers, Thursdays, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-8 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through June). Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tues., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wed., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fri., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.



Church Services

Bethel

West Parish Congregational--Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and church school. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene--Rev. John Grant, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. 6 p.m. evening service.

Our Lady of the Snows--Rev. Lawrence Conley, Mass--Saturday, 5 p.m.

Bethel Alliance Church--Rev. Richard Mowery, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship service. 6 p.m. evening service.

United Methodist--Rev. Geraldine MacNeil, Pastor, 9 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union--9 a.m. worship and church school.

Pleasant Valley Bible--Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship.

Episcopal House Church--at Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street, 4 p.m., third Sunday of month. 824-2913.

Church of Christ--at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends--a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends, (Quakers) -- Sunday 9:30 a.m. at 558 E. Bethel Rd. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Marie Hickey (875-2257) for more info.

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist--Rev. Linwood Hanson, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. worship service. 6 p.m. evening service.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist--Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Unitarian Universalist--Services first and third Sundays each month, 9 a.m., beginning Oct. 4.

Andover

First Congregational Church--Pastor Jane Rich. 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m. beginning Oct. 21.

Calvary Congregational Church--Winter hours: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., morning worship service 10:45 a.m. Wed. night, Bible study and prayer meeting, 6:45 p.m. Route 5, S. Andover, Rev. Duane Waite.

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union--Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

East Stoneham

Oxford County United Parish--Rev. Janice Wilcox; Nov. thru March and May, July and Sept., worship at North Waterford Congregational Church, 10 a.m., with Church School at 9:15 a.m. Worship at 10 a.m. at the East Stoneham church in April, June, Aug. and Oct.

Albany

Congregational Church - Hunt's Corner, Year-round 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Bible study Tues. 7 p.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon.

Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (9 Stevens St.)-- Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church-- Route 117N, S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday School, 9 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:15 with coffee fellowship immediately after.

West Paris Baptist--Pastor Gordon DeHaas. Sunday worship 9 a.m., 6:45 p.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

North Paris Baptist--Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)--Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information.

Rumford Point

Rumford Point Church-- Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Rev. Deborah Jenks.

Gorham, N.H.

Gateway Apostolic Church--Sunday School and worship, Sunday at 2 p.m., Royalty Inn, 130 Main St. Home group meetings, Tues. 6:30 p.m. Pastor Rodney Brown (an Independent Pentecostal Assembly), 1-800-450-7298 ext. 6062.

Monthly Meetings

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

First Monday: V.F.W., Rebel Rec Center, Bethel, 7 p.m. 824-2587.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Vegetarian Eating Group meets at Cafe DiCocoa in Bethel from 5-7 p.m. Everyone welcome. For more info call 824-JAVA.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Bryant Pond, JR Grange Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 665-2460.

Fibromyalgia Syndrome- Chronic Fatigue Syndrome meeting, Bethel Family Health Center, 7 p.m. For info, call 824-3232.

Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for meeting place.

The Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Bethel Airport Authority, 7 p.m. Call town office for meeting place in Feb. and March.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church.

First Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Windy Valley Snowmobile Club meets at Newry Town Office, 7 p.m.

First and Third Tuesday: Woodstock Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 5 p.m.

Greenwood Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 5 p.m.

The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMI-CAN) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Lions Den on Main Street at 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.

Telstar Alumni Association meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Telstar Library.

Second and Fourth Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

Cross-Country Quilters meet at the Bethel Library from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

First Wednesday: Purity Chapter 102, OES, 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.

Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon.

Western Maine Foothills Toastmasters, 6:30 p.m., Dirigo High School, Dixfield. Call 562-4931 for info.

Greenstock Snowsports Snowmobile Club, Greenwood Town Office, 6 p.m.

First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Fourth Wednesday: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, H.F. Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 928-2611.

Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m.

Jefferson Chapter, 89, OES, Bryant Pond, 6:30 p.m.; refreshments, 7:30 meeting. (Except July and Aug.)

Last Wednesday: CPS/PTA meets from 6:30 - 8 p.m. (except Nov., when it is the third Wed., and Dec., when there is no meeting). Babysitting provided.

Every Wednesday: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Kaleidoscope Children's Activity Hour for preschoolers and Kindergarten. Christian Education Building at First Congregational Church, Andover, from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Schedule same as SAD44. For more info, 392-1131 or 392-1045.

First Thursday: United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House, 7:30 p.m.

Second Thursday: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at Crescent Park School conference room, 7:30 a.m.

Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.

Third Thursday: Friends of Telstar Middle School meet at 6:30 p.m.

Telstar Regional High School Parent Group meets at 7:30 p.m.

First and Third Thursday: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Fourth Thursday: Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7 to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info.

Every Thursday: Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m. at 28 S. Main St. (Next meeting Jan. 8 at 7:30 p.m.)

West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 5 to 7 p.m.

Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.

Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

First Saturday: Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station.

St. Andrews Society meeting, 10 a.m., Harvest House, Lisbon (business meeting with lunch).

Second Saturday: Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public.

Last Saturday: Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at the Town Office.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen office or mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444. The deadline is Monday noon.

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Television Listings

THURSDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 18, 1999										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Ottawa Senators						Mad	Frasier	Cheers
(32)	Funny	Addams	Life Cam	Life Cam	Movie: "Rugged Gold"				700 Club	
(6)	Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Friends	Jesse	Frasier	Veronica's	ER		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	World's Deadliest Storms	Storm of the Century					News	
(10)	High School Basketball		High School Basketball		Foto	Business	Mystery!			
(22)	Sportsctr.	College Basketball: Michigan State at Michigan			College Basketball: DePaul at Southern Mississippi				Sportsctr.	
(34)	Waltons		Life and Times		Prime Time Country		Bull Riding	Dallas		
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Diagnosis Murder	Turks			48 Hours		News	
(41)	Snow Show	Ski TV	Boxing: Estrada vs. Pires			NBA Action	Celtics	Countdown	Fame	
(15)	Movie: "Steel"				Movie: "Black and White"		8MM: First		Shock Video 3	
(17)	One Day	Movie: "The Paper Brigade"			Movie: "Toothless"				"The Magnificent Rebel"	
(18)	Clear-Danger		Movie: "Wild at Heart"				Movie: "The Rainmaker"			
(20)	Front Row	Sports	Women's College Basketball				Sports	College Basketball		
(44)	Party of Five		Chicago Hope		Movie: "Full Circle"			Attitudes	Golden	
(5)	Roseanne	Roseanne	WCW Thunder		WCW Thunder		Movie: "Striptease"			
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	Thomberry's Catdog	Brady	WonderYr	Jeffersons	Laveme	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	
(25)	"Home of the Brave"		Movie: "Heaven Knows, Mr. Allison"				Movie: "The Green Berets"			
(26)	Xena: Warrior Princess		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "The China Syndrome"				Undercover	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Unexplained		Murder, She Wrote		Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Wayans	Jamie Foxx	Harvey	For-Love	News		MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today		Larry King Live		Newsstand-Enter		Sports	Moneyline

FRIDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 19, 1999										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Legacy		Love Boat-Next		Mad	Mad	Frasier	Cheers
(32)	Movie: "Dad, the Angel & Me"				Movie: "Two of Hearts"				700 Club	
(6)	Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Providence		Dateline		Homicide: Life		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Two-Kind	Boy-World	Sabrina	Brothers	20/20		News	
(10)	Girls High School Basketball: Class B Semifinal				High School Basketball: Class B Semifinal				Business	Wash. Wk.
(22)	Sportsctr.	NHL Hockey: Pittsburgh Penguins at New York Rangers					Sprtsctr		Sportscenter	
(34)	Waltons		Rollerjam: Teams to Be Announced				Motor Madness		Dallas	
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Kids Say	Candid C.	Magnificent Seven		Nash Bridges		News	
(41)	College Hockey: Boston College at Massachusetts-Lowell						Boxing: Estrada vs. Pires			
(15)	Spice World	Killers	Movie: "One Eight Seven"				Movie: "The Patriot"		Dennis M.	
(17)	TBA	Movie: "Susie Q"		Movie: "Zenon: Girl of the 21st Century"			Famous		"The Magnificent Rebel"	
(18)	"Blind Date" Cont'd		Movie: "The Base"			Movie: "Kiss the Girls"			Erotic	
(20)	Front Row	Boxing: Ringside at the Regal				Front Row	FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(44)	Oh Baby	Maggie	Chicago Hope		Movie: "Don't Touch My Daughter"				Attitudes	Golden
(5)	Roseanne	Roseanne	Movie: "Coal Miner's Daughter"						City Slickers 2	
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	Kablam!	Catdog	Brady	WonderYr	Jeffersons	Laveme	I Love Lucy	Bewitched
(25)	Will Success Spoil Rock		Movie: "Desk Set"				WENN		Movie: "Battle of the Sexes"	
(26)	Xena: Warrior Princess		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "Basic Instinct"				"Twins"	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		L.A. Detectives		Murder, She Wrote		Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Movie: "A Little Princess"				News		MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today		Larry King Live		Cold War		Sports	Moneyline

SATURDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 20, 1999										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Movie: "The Last Man on Planet Earth"				Star Trek: Voyager			
(32)	Movie: "Free Fall" Cont'd		Movie: "Dangerous Waters"				Movie: "Panic in the Skies"			
(6)	Edison	Seinfeld	Saturday Night Live		Pretender		Profiler		News	Sat. Night
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "A Very Brady Sequel"				Love American Style		News	Psi Factor
(10)	Girls High School Basketball				High School Basketball				Austin City Limits	
(22)	Sportsctr.	College Basketball: Providence at Villanova			College Basketball: Nebraska at Texas Tech				Sportsctr.	
(34)	Week-Country		Opry	Grand Opry	Staller Bros.		Conversations With Burt		Opry	Grand Opry
(13)	ER		Early Edition		Marital Law		Walker, Texas Ranger		News	
(41)	Rinkside	AHL Hockey: Fredericton Canadiens at Hartford Wolf Pack							Tennis: ATP Kroger/St. Jude Semifinal	
(15)	"Aspen Extreme" Cont'd		Movie: "The Replacement Killers"		Boxing: Felix Trinidad vs. Pernell Whitaker					
(17)	Movie: "Rent-a-Kid"			Movie: "Mr. Magoo"			So Weird	MusicVids	Walt Disney Presents	
(18)	"The Addams Family"		Movie: "Uncommon Valor"				Movie: "Double Team"		Striking	
(20)	College Hockey: Dartmouth at RPI				NHL-Shots		FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(44)	"Trail of Tears" Cont'd	Oh Baby	Maggie		Movie: "The Secretary"				"My Blue Heaven"	
(5)	WCW Saturday Nigh		Movie: "48 HRS."				Movie: "Corrina, Corrina"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Beavers	Rugrats	All That	Kenan-Kel	You Afraid?	Brady	WonderYr	HappyDay	Laveme
(25)	Movie: "Friendly Persuasion" Cont'd			Movie: "River of No Return"			Movie: "Beach Party"			
(26)	"Problem Child" Cont'd		Movie: "Problem Child 2"				The Net		La Femme Nikita	
(27)	Mysteries of the Bible		Biography This Week		Story of the Gun				City Confidential	
(12)	Malibu, CA	Ill. Luckiest	Movie: "Sister Act"				News		Coach	Best of Best
(39)	Capital	Spots	World	Business	Larry King Weekend		Cold War		Sports Tonight	

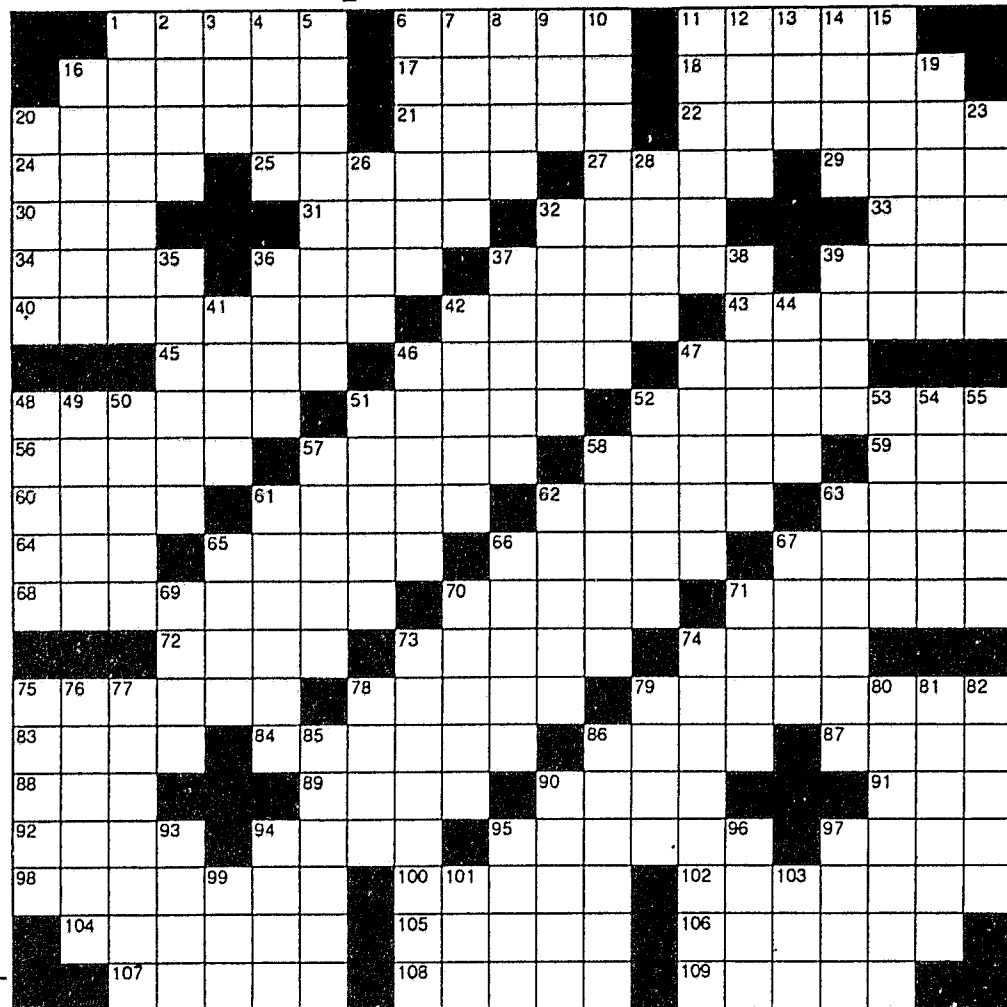
SUNDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 21, 1999										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Wild Things		Movie: "Days of Thunder"				Movie: "M*A*S*H"		Viper	
(32)	Ditchdigger's		North and South				North and South			
(6)	NBA Basketball: Nets at Pacers			Movie: "Eraser"					News	Wild Things
(8)	Movie: "Mr. Holland's Opus"						Practice		News	Paid Prog.
(10)	Ballykissangel		Nature		Masterpiece Theatre		Crown & Country		Mystery!	
(22)	Sportscenter		NHL Hockey: Pittsburgh Penguins at Philadelphia Flyers						Sportscenter	
(34)	Outdoor	Bassmaster	In-Fish	Bill Dance	Bull Riding		Fishing	Fishin'	ClassicCar	NASCAR
(18)	60 Minutes		Touched by an Angel		Movie: "Too Rich -- The Secret Life of Doris Duke"				News	
(41)	Wm. Basketball		Tennis: ATP Kroger/St. Jude Final				College Hockey: Boston Coll. at Mass.-Lowell			
(15)	Movie: "The Saint"				Sopranos		Movie: "Amistad"			
(17)	Mokombz	Muppets	Dinosaurs	GrowPains	Walt Disney Presents		Movie: "Treasure Island"			
(18)	"Wayne's World 2"		Movie: "The Relic"				Movie: "Below Utopia"		WhenPass	
(26)	Soccer: English Premier League -- Teams TBA			Goin' Deep			FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(44)	Movie: "A Matter of Justice" Cont'd						Any Day Now		Intimate Portrait	
(6)	Trump Awards			Movie: "Miss Evers' Boys"					"The Tuskegee Airmen"	
(24)	My Brother	All That	Animorphs	Nick News	HappyDay	HappyDay	Laveme	Laveme	Jeffersons	Jeffersons
(25)	Has-Gen	Screen	Movie: "The Alamo"				Movie: "Don't Bother to Knock"			
(26)	WWF Sunday Night Heat		Pacific Blue		Silk Stalkings		La Femme Nikita		The Net	
(27)	Ancient Mysteries		Biography				Biography			
(12)	7th Heaven		Sister, Sis.	Smart Guy	Zoe	Unhappy	News	Replay	Coach	Nightman
(39)	Spots	World	Cold War		Cold War	World	Newsstand: Time		Sports	NBA Wk.

MONDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 22, 1999										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Dilbert	DiResta	Sentinel		Mad	Mad	Frasier	Cheers
(32)	Funny	Addams	Life Cam	Life Cam	North and South				700 Club	
(6)	Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Suddenly	Mad	Movie: "Border Line"				News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	20/20		"And the Beat Goes On: The Sonny and Cher Story"				News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Capitol Connection		Antiques Roadshow		American Experience		Contrary	McLaughlin
(22)	Sportsctr.	College Basketball: Connecticut at Providence			College Basketball: Oklahoma State at Kansas				Sportsctr.	
(34)	Waltons		Life of Buck Owens		Prime Time Country		Oak Ridge Boys		Dallas	
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Cosby	King	Raymond	Becker	48 Hours		News	
(41)	Sports	Bruiser Flint	Italian Soccer: Fiorentina vs. Roma				Tennis: ATP Kroger/St. Jude Final			
(15)	Movie: "Popeye" Cont'd		Movie: "The Devil's Advocate"						Real Sports	The Patriot
(17)	So Weird	So Weird	Movie: "Brink"		Cleopatra in Concert		GrowPains		Walt Disney Presents	
(18)	Stuart Saves His Family		Movie: "Batman Returns"				Movie: "Retroactive"		Wild Malibu	
(20)	Front Row	Sports	Innerview	Goin' Deep		Front Row	FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(44)	Party of Five		Chicago Hope		"Love's Deadly Triangle: The Texas Cadet Murder"				Attitudes	Golden
(5)	Roseanne	Roseanne	NBA Basketball: Los Angeles Lakers at Denver Nuggets				Inside NBA		Movie: "The Dirty Dozen"	
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	Hay Arnold!	Strange	Brady	WonderYr	Jeffersons	Laveme	I Love Lucy	Bewitched
(25)	"Double Indemnity"		Movie: "A New Kind of Love"						Movie: "The Prince and the Showgirl"	
(26)	Xena: Warrior Princess		Walker, Texas Ranger		WWF Raw		WWF War Zone		New York Undercover	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		Cracker		Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	7th Heaven		Hyperion Bay		News		MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today		Larry King Live		Newsstand: Time		Sports	Moneyline

TUESDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 23, 1999										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Moesha	Clueless	Malcolm	Between	Mad	Mad	Frasier	Cheers
(32)	Funny	Addams	Life Cam	Life Cam	North and South				700 Club	
(6)	Home Imp.	Seinfeld	3rd Rock	Newsradio	Just Shoot	Will-Grace	Dateline		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Home Imp.	Hughleys	Spin City	Sports Nt	NYPD Blue		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Nova		Frontline		First Person		Business	Firing Line
(22)	Sportsctr.	College Basketball: Northwestern at Iowa			College Basketball: Tennessee at Georgia				Sportsctr.	
(34)	Waltons		Life and Times of...		Prime Time Country		George Jones		Dallas	
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		Movie: "Too Rich -- The Secret Life of Doris Duke"				News	
(41)	Adventure Quest		Edge	SnowAdvs	Boxing: Heavyweight Explosion -- Fighters TBA				Motorcycle Racing	
(15)	"Major League II" Cont'd		Movie: "When Trumpets Fade"		Movie: "The Replacement Killers"				Sopranos	
(17)	Movie: "Rent-a-Kid"				Movie: "Cloak and Dagger"				GrowPains	Walt Disney Presents
(18)	"Funny Farm" Cont'd		Movie: "Boyz n the Hood"				Movie: "A Murder of Crows"			
(20)	NHL Hockey: Ottawa Senators at Boston Bruins						FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(44)	Party of Five		Chicago Hope		Any Day Now		Intimate Portrait		Attitudes	Golden
(5)	Roseanne	Roseanne	Movie: "McIntock!"						Movie: "The Undefeated"	
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	Thomberry's	Skeeter	Brady	WonderYr	Jeffersons	Laveme	I Love Lucy	Bewitched
(25)	"Call Northside 777"		Movie: "The Parallax View"				Marlene Dietrich		Movie: "Seven Sinners"	
(26)	Xena: Warrior Princess		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "Crocodile Dundee II"				New York Undercover	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		Cracker		Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Buffy the Vampire Slayer		Felicity		News		MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today		Larry King Live		Late Edition Primetime		Sports	Moneyline

WEDNESDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 24, 1999										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	7 Days		Star Trek: Voyager		Mad	Mad	Frasier	Cheers
(32)	Funny	Addams	Life Cam	Life Cam	North and South			700 Club		
6	Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Dateline		Lance Burton-Top Secret		Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Dharma	Dharma	Drew Carey Whose?		20/20		News	
10	Newshour-Lehrer		Sci. Frontiers		Paul Robeson: Here I Stand			Fel Hu-Flying Tigers		
(22)	College Basketball: Clemson at Maryland				College Basketball: Duke at DePaul				Sportscenter	
(34)	Waltons		Life and Times of...		Prime Time Country		Crook & Chase Tonight		Dallas	
18	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Grammy Awards						News	
(41)	NBA Basketball: Orlando Magic at Boston Celtics				Celtics		College Basketball: Dayton at Xavier			
(15)	Movie: "Selena" Cont'd		Movie: "Always Outnumbered"				Tracey		Movie: "The Ice Storm"	
(17)	Timon	Timon	Timon	Timon	Timon	Timon	Timon	Timon	Walt Disney Presents	
(18)	"Chairman of the Board"		Movie: "Blind Date"			Movie: "Shadow of Doubt"			Erotic	
(20)	Front Row	College Basketball: Syracuse at Boston College			College	Front Row	FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(44)	Party of Fiva.		Chicago Hope		Movie: "Ordeal in the Arctic"				Attitudes Golden	
(5)	Roseanne	Roseanne	National Geographic Explorer				Movie: "High Plains Drifter"			
(4)	Doug	Rugrats	Hey Arnold!	Strange	Brady	WonderYr	Jeffersons	Laverne	I Love Lucy	Bewitched
(25)	"Sergeant Rutledge"		Movie: "Reap the Wild Wind"				Movie: "The Diary of Anne Frank"			
(26)	Xena: Warrior Princess		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "His Bodyguard"				New York Undercover	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		American Justice		Cracker: True Romance		Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Met.	Dawson's Creek		Charmed		News		MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today		Larry King Live		Newsstand: Fortune		Sneds Monning	

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67 Light or post
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69 Dogs and cats, often
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This week at the

Moses Mason House

The 25th annual Heritage Day will be held on Saturday, Feb. 20 at the headquarters of the Bethel Historical Society, the Dr. Moses Mason House, from 1-4 p.m. There will be traditional craft demonstrations and exhibits, a local art show, historical videos, local history book fair, and special tours of the period house museum with hot Indian pudding served from the hearth of the winter kitchen. Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend.

In the historical photograph of the eighth grade at Crescent Park School in 1957, Linda Olson should have been Lorraine Olson.

John Bayerlein, chairman of the Program Committee, announced recently that the monthly meetings for the entire year were now planned. Several programs will highlight the theme of this year's summer exhibit, which focuses on the life of Maine historian John Francis Sprague and his "Sprague's Journal of Maine History."

The programs for the remainder of the year include: March 4, "Dr. William B. Lapham: Oxford County Historian," by Stanley R. Howe, executive director, Bethel Historical Society; April 1, "Eva Bean: Local Historian," by The Hon. Margaret Joy Tibbetts; May 6, "Elizabeth Ring: Maine Historian," by Earle G. Shettleworth, Jr., director, Maine Historic Preservation Commission; June 3, Robinson House History and Open House; July 1, Annual Picnic at Pooh Corner, Mason; Aug. 5, Exhibit Opening, "John Francis Sprague and Sprague's Journal of Maine History," by Marius B. Peladeau, L.C. Bates Museum; Sept. 2, 34th Annual Meeting, Potluck Supper, "James Phinney Baxter: Maine Historian," by The Hon. Neil Rolde, York; Oct. 7, annual What's It; Nov. 4, "Fannie Hardy Eckstorm: Maine Historian," by The Hon. Herbert Adams, Portland; Dec. 2, annual "Christmas with the Masons."

All meetings will be held at the society headquarters, the Dr. Moses Mason House, unless otherwise specified and will begin at 7:30 p.m. The annual picnic will be held at 6 p.m. and the Potluck Supper will commence at 6:30 p.m.

From the

Bethel Senior Citizens

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club met Feb. 10 at the West Paris Congregational Church with 48 members present. Cakes were made by Barbara Mahler and Arlene Lowell. President Helen Saunders conducted the meeting and led the salute to the flag. Reports were given by Jane Hosterman, Rudy Royer and Arlene Lowell. Tillie Meyers gave a report on programs and trips. The first trip will be June 23.

The door prize was won by Ruth Wiles and the raffle, which was a doll donated by Helen Saunders, was won by Ruby Judkins. March 10 is the date for the next meeting, at the Bethel Methodist Church at 11 a.m.

Several members were reported ill.

Rudy Royer read a poem entitled, "Forever Friend."

After dinner the members went to Gould Academy to a play entitled, "The Face on the Ballroom Floor," directed by James McLaughlin, and was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to all who participated.

February birthdays are: Frances Bennett, Barbara Hathaway, Barbara Mahler, Burton Meyers, Claire Riondeau, Helen Saunders, Muriel Whitney and Lindley Wieden.

From the

U.M. Coop. Extension

A free one-day Vegetable Gardening Workshop for beginners will be held during the first two weeks of April at University of Maine Cooperative Extension offices throughout central and southern Maine. Participants will learn how to plan and care for their gardens, prepare soil, make compost and grow their own seedlings.

The South Paris session will begin on April 9 at 8:45 a.m. and conclude at 3 p.m. Registration is free and must be received by March 15 at the Oxford County Extension office, 9 Olson Road, South Paris, ME 04281-6402. Call (800) 287-1482 for more information.

From the

Bethel Area C. of C.

We hope those of you who have purchased The Bethel Citizen this week enjoy reading through the Chamber's 1998 Annual Report, which is an insert in the paper. We have attempted to capture some of the many people, businesses and events that helped to make 1998 such a successful year for our organization. On the back page is a list of all the diverse businesses that support the chamber as members. It is our goal to make that grow to include many other area businesses in the coming year. Please call the chamber, or stop in at the office in the Bethel Train Station, if you would like membership information -- there are many benefits.

Our World's Largest Snowman effort is culminating this week with a community party on Friday from 10 a.m. to noon. Governor King has agreed to come and "cut the ribbon" on "Angus, King of the Mountain." He will be here to greet well-wishers between 10:45 and 11:45 a.m. in the parking lot in front of the Iron Horse Diner (next to the Casablanca Cinema). Good Morning America has also indicated they will be here. All are welcome to be a part of this historic moment.

The effort that has gone into building the snowman this past two weeks has been phenomenal. Jim Sysko and David Berry have been the foremen for this stage. Emily Beers has been there almost constantly, shoveling and packing. Dozens of other volunteers have been spending their time helping to bring this structure to the desired 110 feet in height. Why are we doing this? Some people have wondered or asked. It has been a great positive publicity for the Town of Bethel. It has brought area people together to work on a really fun project. It has allowed Sunday River Ski Resort to contribute their Sunday River snow to this massive publicized project, as well as Bancroft Contracting to make a significant contribution on a project here in Bethel. The list goes on and on -- businesses and volunteers having fun together.

It is our hope that you will join us on Friday morning for the celebration.

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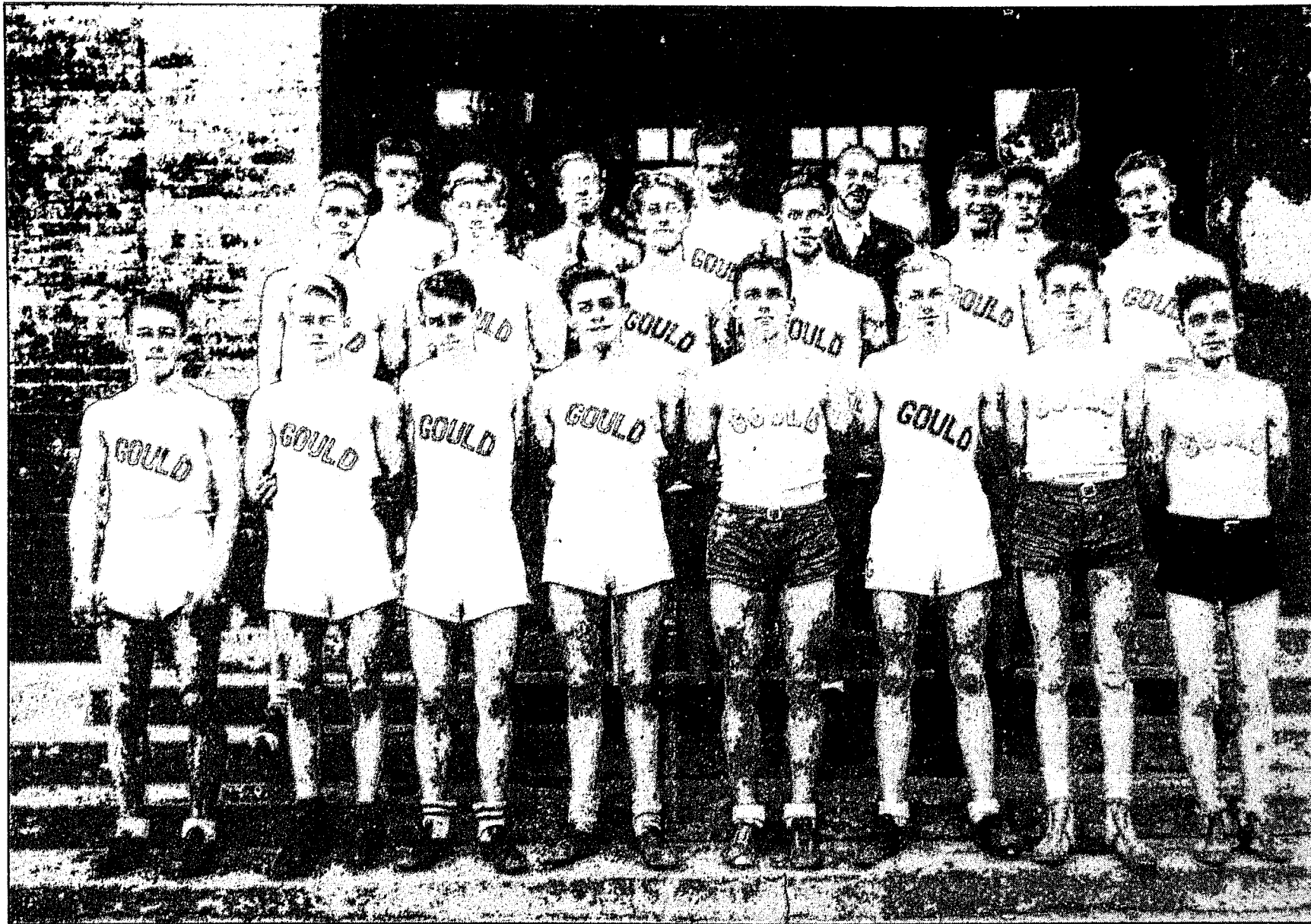
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From **Maine Handicapped Skiing**

Julie Parisien, an Auburn native, three-time Olympian, three-time World Cup Champion and four-time National Champion in giant slalom and slalom events, will be participating in Maine Handicapped Skiing's 14th annual Ski-A-Thon fundraiser on March 20 at Sunday River Ski Resort. Parisien will participate in the first annual Ski-A-Thon Fun Race, where she will race against Ski-A-Thon participants for donations to Maine Handicapped Skiing. She will also meet and greet fundraisers and sign posters during the 4 to 6 p.m. cocktail hour and dinner at the Summit Hotel and play a role in the evening's awards ceremony.

Slots for Ski-A-Thon teams are still available. Each team of five must raise a minimum of \$600 to support Maine Handicapped Skiing; then they come to Sunday River on March 20 for free skiing, a colorful T-shirt, three meals, entertainment, dancing and the opportunity to win fabulous prizes including ski vacations, equipment and apparel. To get more information or sign up a team, call Maine Handicapped Skiing at (800) 639-7770 or 824-2440.

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From the **Telstar Alumni Association**

The monthly meeting of the Telstar Alumni Association was held on Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Telstar library.

Numerous items were discussed with a minimal membership in attendance. It was decided that a no-school storm day would be a no-meeting month, and time for meetings would be from 6:30 p.m. to no later than 8 p.m.

Christine Greenleaf, co-president, will get some information about Bethel Winter Carnival activities for 2000, and hopefully the alumni will be able to help. We hope to have a couple guest speakers for the March meeting, Robin Zinchuk (about the 2000 Winter Carnival) and Don Bean (about Project Opportunity).

It was voted and accepted by the membership present to have mini-diplomas ordered for this year's graduating class and to order business cards for the alumni.

Other things that need to be discussed at future meetings are: Molykott Day (July 17), Alumni Weekend (Aug. 14-15), Homecoming (Oct. 1-2), and most of all the five-year class reunions that will take place this summer. The reunion years are 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989 and 1994. This is the first year we'll have six graduating classes celebrating reunions. Members from all of these reunion classes are urged to attend the next Alumni Association meeting, on March 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Telstar library, in order to begin making plans for their class reunion. The Alumni Association may be able to help in finding places to have reunions and to help track down classmates.

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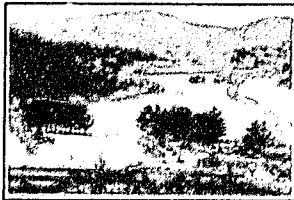
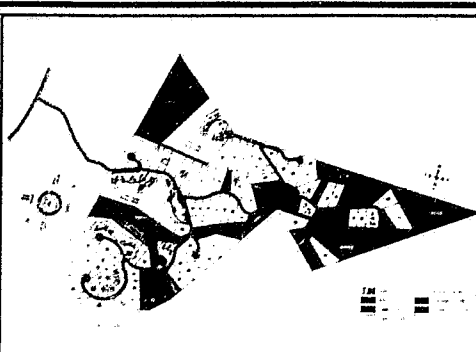


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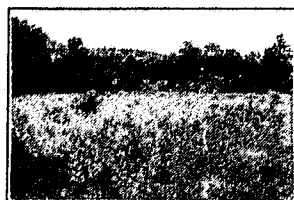
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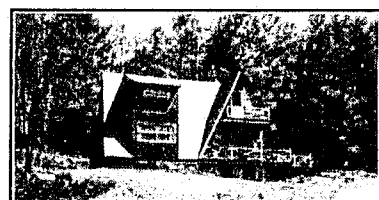
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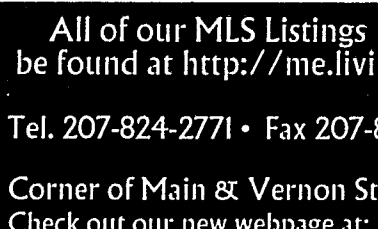
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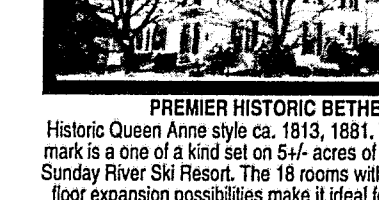
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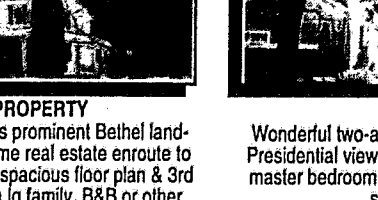
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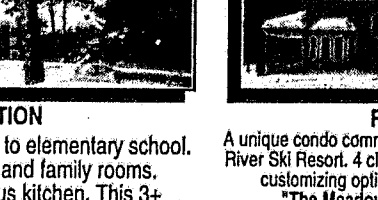
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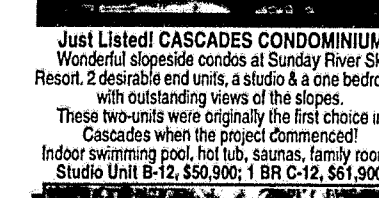
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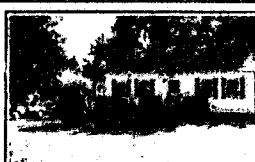
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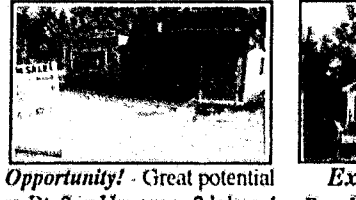
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Obituaries



JACK A. ROWLAND JR.

Jack A. Rowland Jr., 29, died Friday, Feb. 12, 1999, following a long battle with cancer, at his home in Rumford with his Mom and Dad at his side.

He was born in Norway on Jan. 23, 1970, the son of Jack and Janice (Gautreau) Rowland. Shortly after graduation from Rumford High School with the Class of 1988, Jack enlisted in the Navy. He completed boot camp in Great Lakes, Ill., and fire-fighting school in San Diego, Calif. He was then assigned to the USS Cape Cod in San Francisco, Calif.

After discharge from the Navy, Jack came home for a brief stay before heading west. He lived and worked in California, Colorado, Montana, Oregon, and Washington as a construction worker.

In April 1998 in Everett, Wash., Jack was diagnosed with cancer. He

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was treated with radiation and chemotherapy from May to September at Providence General Hospital in Everett. In October he returned to Maine to be close to family and for continued treatment at Mercy Hospital in Portland and Mary Hitchcock Hospital in Lebanon, N.H.

Jack was an accomplished skier and horseback rider. He loved music, animals, mountains and the outdoors. He leaves behind many friends in Rumford and many more across the country. He was comforted by dear friends in the Rumford area (Tammy, Neva, Kenny and many others too numerous to list) and by two special friends, Dr. James Congdon and Ginger Long Altes of Everett, Wash. They stayed in touch and buoyed him through his long battle. He loved and was loved; he will be sorely missed.

Jack has a large extended family -- uncles, aunts and cousins. He knew them all until the end and their visits, sympathy and support were deeply appreciated.

He is survived by his mother, Janice (Gautreau) Mills; his father, Jack A. Rowland; his stepfather, Dwight Mills of Rumford; three brothers; Jason Rowland and Dustin Mills, both of Rumford and Vincent Rowland of Haverhill, N.H.; his paternal grandfather, Mervin Rowland of Sumner; and stepgrandparents, Lee and Mary Mills of Locke Mills; and a nephew of Rumford. His maternal grandparents, Fred and Irene Gautreau, and paternal grandmother, Fern Rowland, predeceased him.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Locke Mills Union Church. Those who wish may make donations in Jack's memory to their favorite charity.

IMOGENE NESMITH CLANTON

Imogene Nesmith Clanton, born May 22, 1912 in Oklahoma, died in San Antonio, Texas, on Monday, Feb. 8, 1999. She was ninth in a family of 11 children.

Survivors include her husband of 63 years, Norman B. Clanton; a son, Norman B. Clanton and his wife, Sylvia, of Bethel; a daughter, Deanna Ulbrich and her husband, Wilbert, of Houston, Texas; two grandsons; one granddaughter; two sisters; and many nieces and nephews.

ELDRED C. WILSON

Eldred C. Wilson, 58, of Bryant Pond, died Friday, Feb. 12, 1999, at the Vassar Brother's Hospital, where he had been a patient.

Born at Woodstock on Sept. 13, 1940, the son of the late Everett C. and Elsie May (Wilson) Wilson, he attended Forrest-Dale School at Woodstock prior to moving to Florida and attended Forest Lake Academy at Forest City, Fla.

A self-employed carpenter, Mr. Wilson enjoyed all aspects of carpentry, especially finished work. He was able to perform finished work many times in the homes that he remodeled.

A 20-year member of the Dixfield Seventh Day Adventist Church, he had resided at Bryant Pond for over 20 years, coming from Florida.

Survivors include a son, Shawn of Bryant Pond; a brother, Melvin and his wife Jean of West Paris; two sisters, Merlene and her husband Conrad Ising of DeBarry, Fla., and Coralie and her husband Dom Villable of Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a son, Dale.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the Andrews Funeral Home, South Woodstock. Interment will be in the spring at the Tuell Town Cemetery, West Paris.

Those who wish may make donations in Eldred's memory to Merlene Ising, 232 Agua Vista, DeBarry, FL 32713.

FRANKLIN S. CHAPMAN

Franklin S. Chapman, 86, of Eden Lane, Bethel, died Friday, Feb. 12, 1999, at Stephens Memorial Hospital with his family by his side.

He was born in Gilead on Dec. 31, 1912, the son of Jack A. and Jessie (Sproat) Chapman. He attended schools in Glen Cove, N.Y., but graduated from Gould Academy with the Class of 1932.

He went on to attend the University of Maine, graduating in 1936 with a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics. While at the university he was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity.

He married the former Rosalind Rowe of Bethel on June 15, 1940.

He was employed by the Maine Extension Service as a DHIA tester in Oxford County and for 26 years by the Maine Department of Agriculture as a dairy inspector, retiring in 1976. He also operated his own farm, where he raised Hereford cattle for many years.

He was a member of the Maine Hereford Association and served as secretary-treasurer of the New England Hereford Association. He showed registered Hereford cattle at Maine and New Hampshire fairs and for over 30 years judged beef cattle at the Maine fairs.

He was a 50-year member of Bethel Masonic Lodge 97 AF & AM and a former member of Purity Chapter OES. He was a member of the West Parish Congregational Church, and a former deacon. He was also a member of the Bethel Historical Society.

He was devoted to his family and enjoyed gardening, baseball and animals, especially Hereford cattle and dogs.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years of Bethel; a daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn "Tammy" and Al-

lister MacDormand of Bethel; a son, Jack A. of Bethel; two grandchildren; and three nieces. He was predeceased by a sister, Annette, in 1960 and a brother, William, in 1974.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the Greenleaf Funeral Home, Bethel. Interment will be in the spring at Riverside Cemetery, Bethel. Those who wish may make donations in Franklin's memory to the Bethel Ambulance Service, c/o Mary Buckman, 549 Walkers Mill Road, Bethel, ME 04217.

MILDRED S. DAVIS

Mildred S. Davis, 108, of Farmington, formerly of New Sharon, died Saturday, Feb. 13, 1999, at Orchard Park Rehabilitation and Living Center, where she had been a patient for the past seven years, following a long illness.

Born at Newry on Dec. 22, 1890, the daughter of Alexander and Ardeella (Jackson) Shepherd, she was educated in the schools of Kennebunk and graduated in the class of 1909 from Kennebunk High School and later from Shaw's Business College in Portland.

Mrs. Davis was married to James A. Davis at Kennebunk on April 19, 1911, and he died Dec. 18, 1961.

She was the town librarian of New Sharon for a number of years and attended the Methodist Church. She was a member of the D.A.R., the Extension, Grange and Evergreen clubs and other clubs.

She and Helen Harris were instrumental in getting a soldier's monument placed at New Sharon for the boys serving in World War II. She moved from New Sharon to Farmington in 1977 and resided at 80 Main Street from Sept. 1, 1989, to June 22, 1993, and received the Boston Post Cane on her 101st birthday.

Mrs. Davis enjoyed traveling to Bermuda, California, Hawaii and spending winters in Florida. She was always interested in flowers and always had a nice garden and tried to make others happy with gifts from the garden. She was always a friend and ready to help others in trouble.

She is survived by a daughter, Kathleen Bunker of Skowhegan. She had a total of 131 descendants, including six children; 19 grandchildren; 49 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

great-great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by three children, Archie, Vernon, and Sue Hogan; and two stepchildren, George and Dorothy Porter.

A graveside service will be held at Fairview Cemetery in the spring. Donations may be made in her memory to Eighty Main Street, 80 Main Street, Farmington, ME 04938, or to the Orchard Park Rehabilitation and Living Center, 20 Orchard Street, Farmington, ME 04938.

LENA H. DOUGLAS

Lena H. Douglas, 88, of South Paris, formerly of Norway and Bethel, died early Tuesday morning, Feb. 16, 1999, at the Market Square Health Care Facility, where she had been a resident since 1985.

Mrs. Douglas was born in Waterford on May 2, 1910, the daughter of the late Lucius and Daisy (Wheeler) McAllister, but attended Bethel schools.

A homemaker for the greater portion of her life, she also provided care to the elderly in her homes.

On July 3, 1954, she married Edmund Douglas, who predeceased her.

Survivors include two daughters, Beverly Pepin of Norway and Edna Millett of South Paris; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. She was also predeceased by a son, Charles Dodge III; a brother, George McAllister; and a daughter, Frances Dodge.

Graveside memorial services will be held in the Pine Grove Cemetery, West Bethel, in the spring. Memorial donations may be sent to: American Cancer Society, Maine Division, 52 Federal Street, Brunswick, ME 04011-2194.

Births

Elizabeth Buck and Phillip Dougherty of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Brandon Michael Dougherty, born on Jan. 25, 1999, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 pounds, 2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Rose Leonard of Bethel and Leroy Buck of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Deborah and Michael Dougherty of Germantown, N.Y.

Monica Bean and Ryan Wodka of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Lukas Ryan Bean-Wodka, born on Jan. 26, 1999, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 10 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Peter and Susan Bean of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Brenda Tibbets Wodka of Bethel and Joseph Wodka of Baltimore, Md.

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